

DRUG LIST of the undersigned for January 1st will be thoroughly revised, and contain extended List of Quotations for COATED PILLS, FLUID EXTRACTS, &c.

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We have learned of the Pills WORTH A GUINEA A BOX!

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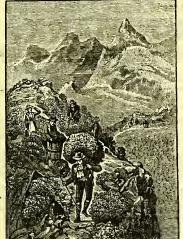
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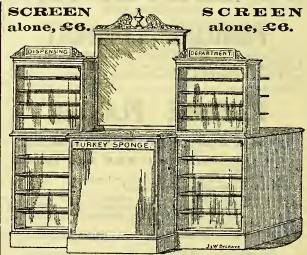
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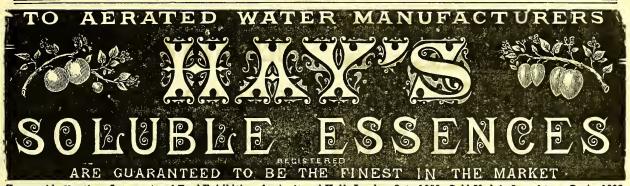
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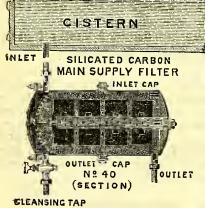
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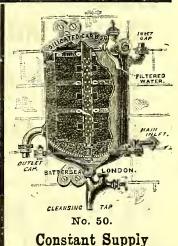
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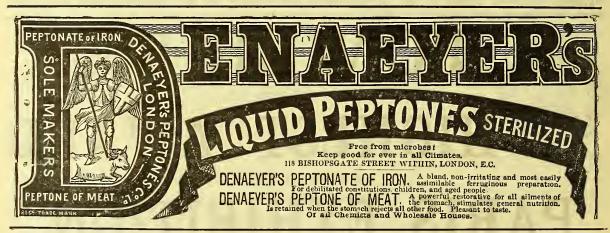
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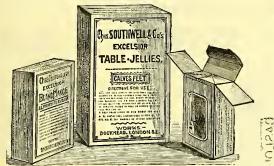
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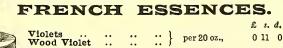
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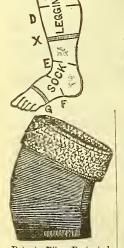
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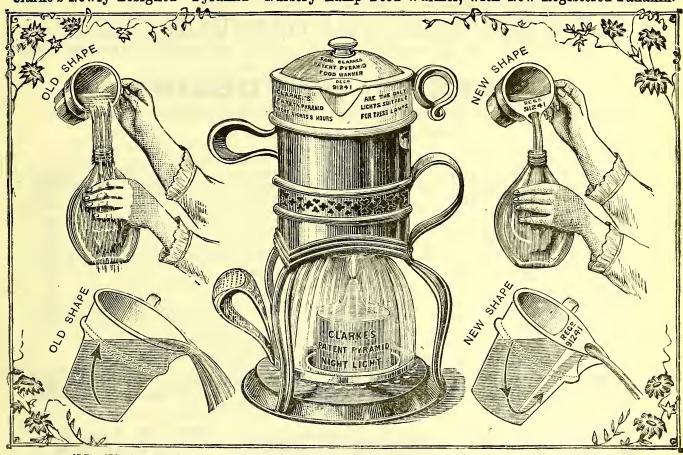
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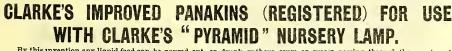


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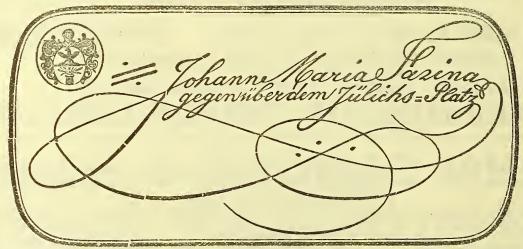
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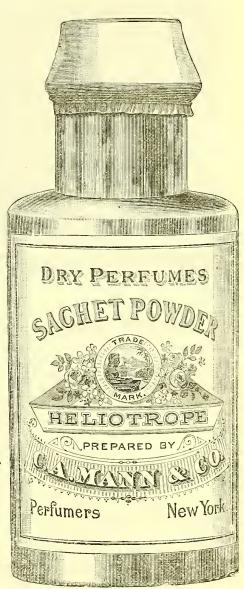
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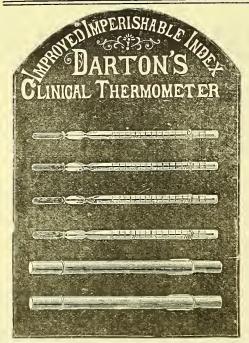
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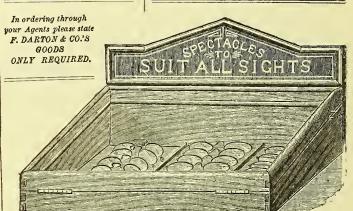
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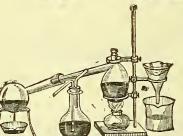


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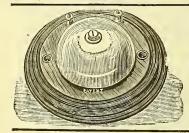


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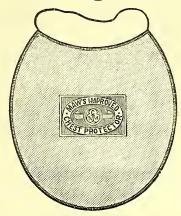


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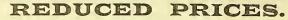
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ALL subscribers have now, we hope, received THE CHEMISTS' AND DRUGGISTS' DIARY for 1890, and are spending a portion of their leisure time in admiring it. Those who care to enter this competition are invited to tell us on post-cards, and before December 31, which they consider in it

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OUR London offices will be closed on Wednesday and Thursday of next week. We shall be obliged if communications which require early attention be delivered not [later than Tuesday forenoon.

THE next number of THE CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST will be posted on Friday, as usual, but not in all cases by the early provincial mails. Australian and Indian copies will go by the Friday's mails, as always. Advertisements for assistants, situations, and businesses for disposal will be inserted if received by Friday morning's post, but instructions respecting all other advertisements must reach us by Tuesday.

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QUALITATIVE ANALYSIS.

A MIXTURE of two salts will again form the subject of the exercise in qualitative analysis. The mixture is to be submitted to a thorough systematic examination, the constituents of the mixture are to be detected, and all other substances proved absent. Students' reports should contain a concise account of the work done, and should include a list of the constituents detected, distinguishing any which may be regarded as accidental impurities.

Students' applications for portions of the mixture will be received up to the morning of next Saturday, December 28, and the samples will be forwarded immediately.

Students' reports will be received up to the morning of Saturday, January 11.

REPORTS.

The mixture distributed for analysis last month consisted of 9 parts of potassium chromate and 1 part of nickel sulphate. The calculated composition of this mixture is:—

Ni	0-0	0-0	••	•••	••	2.10
к	••	0-0	••	••	••	36 09
CrO.			••		••	53-91
SO.						3.42
H.O		••			••	4.48
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						100-00

Out of the thirty-seven students who sent in reports, twenty-nine failed to detect nickel, and seventeen failed to detect the sulphuric radicle. In the case of potassium there is but one failure to report, while all the competitors succeeded in detecting chromium, though a few omitted to observe that it was as a chromate that it occurred in the mixture.

The mixture when fresh had a yellow colour, and some specks of a bright green colour could be distinguished. These evidently constituted a very small part of the mixture; after a few days they changed colour and became brown. The powdered crystalline substance of a bright yellow colour, which was evidently the principal constituent of the mixture, bore a striking resemblance to potassium chromate, and probably very few of our correspondents failed to recognise this well-known salt almost immediately. The green or, as they were more frequently observed, brown specks were not so easily identified, but it was possible to obtain a good deal of information about them with very little expenditure of material. We shall briefly state what was actually done with a few little particles, just large enough to be distinctly visible to the naked eye. They were picked out with the aid of a lens, and freed from the adhering yellow powder by rubbing them on paper with the finger. Heated on platinum foil they intumesced, thus showing the probable presence of water of crystallisation, and left a residue, which was of a dark green colour, almost black. This was evidently not carbon, for it did not burn away when further heated; the residue was probably an oxide. It dissolved in a borax bead in the outer blowpipe flame, and the bead, when cold, was of a yellowishbrown colour. This reaction suggested nickel; it was cer-

tainly not cobalt. By way of confirmation, another of the brown specks was dissolved on a piece of porcelain in a drop of dilute hydrochloric acid; on adding ammonia, there was no precipitate or colouration; with ammonium sulphide there was a black precipitate. There could be very little doubt that the compound under examination was a salt of nickel, and a salt containing water of crystallisation. These experiments did not occupy many minutes, and the small quantity of the mixture of salts available for the analysis was not appreciably diminished.

In the course of the systematic analysis in the wet way the mixture was found to be only partially soluble in water, but readily soluble in dilute hydrochloric acid. This solution, which was of a deep reddish-yellow colour, became green on adding sulphuretted hydrogen in excess, sulphur separating at the same time. This reaction left no doubt as to the presence of a chromate. The filtrate gave with ammonia a greyish-green precipitate, which became nearly black on the addition of ammonium sulphide. The solution was filtered, and it was observed that the filtrate was slightly brown in colour—a further indication of the presence of nickel. On washing the precipitate and treating it with cold dilute hydrochloric acid, a black residue remained undissolved. By means of the usual tests this residue was readily proved to consist solely of nickel sulphide.

In a few cases our correspondents relied upon the separation of chromium from nickel by means of ammonia—a method which gave fallacious results. Solutions of nickel salts do not give a precipitate with excess of ammonia in the presence of ammonium salts, but in the present case the nickel was almost completely precipitated by ammonia, along with the chromium, in the form of hydrate. A similar result is known to take place in the precipitation of ferric hydrate by means of ammonia; small quantities of nickel, cobalt, manganese, or zinc may be carried down along with the ferric hydrate, and thus escape detection.

It is remarkable that so many students failed to detect the sulphuric radicle. The quantity in the mixture was small, but the reaction with barium chloride in the presence of free hydrochloric acid was highly characteristic, and ought not to have been overlooked.

PRIZES.

The First Prize for the best analysis has been awarded to Walter Vernon, Cleveland Dispensary, Linthorpe Road, Middlesborough.

The Second Prize has been awarded to

E. TURTON, care of Mason & Radford, 10 Derby Road, Nottingham.

Marks Awarded for Analyses:

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R. H. C	86	Rubidia			70
J. Renrut	84	Gem		1	70
F. W. Towan	84	Farina	••	€	65 ₋
Ajax	82	Edinburgh		(65
Saponis	82	Chrom. Anal		6	65
A. Howard	80	Arthur Lazenby	••	6	€3
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A. M. S	75	W. H. Goy	••	5	5⊅
W. H	., 75	Fluorine	••		45.
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E. H. Newman	70	Kasak	••		40
Radix	70	Dexter	••	2	20
H. W. Colley	70]			

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Prizes.—The students to whom prizes are awarded are requested to write at once to the Publisher, naming the book they select, and stating how they wish it forwarded.

Any scientific book that is published at a price not greatly exceeding half-a-guinea may be taken as a first prize.

Any scientific book which is sold for about five shillings may be taken as second prize.

*All communications should include the names and addresses of the writers.

W. VERNON.—Your work was well done, but your report was rather

R. H. C.—You ought to have been able to extract a great deal more information from the preliminary examination. Remember that negative results are often very important.

J. RENRUT.—Your examination for the acidulous radicles was incomplete. You are required to prove the absence of all substances except those which you can show to be constituents of the mixture.

F. W. Towan.—A mixture of the composition you describe would have dissolved completely in water without the aid of an acid.

AJAX.—A simpler plan would have been to separate the chromic acid by means of lead acetate, and subsequently remove the lead in the usual way by means of sodium carbonate.

SAPONIS.—If the mixture had consisted simply of potassium chromate and potassium sulphate, of course it would have dissolved completely in water.

A. L. DORAN.—The red compound obtained by the action of sulphuric ceid was chromic anhydride. On adding a'cohol, aldehyde was evolved, and the green mass consisted of chromium sesquioxide. The trace of sulphate which you observed was of more importance than you thought.

UNDERGRAD.—If you had passed a sufficiency of sulphuretted hydrogen through the acid solution you would have found that the precipitate was white or nearly white, suspended in a green solution.

RADIX.—Sulphuretted hydrogen could not possibly have been evolved but chlorochromic anhydride may have been given off.

W. L.—Owing to the way your report is drawn up it is quite unintelligible. You ought to make it quite clear what solution each reagent is added to, and what is done with each filtrate and each precipitate.

RUBIDIA.—The potassium flame colouration would not have been so distinct had any notable quantity of sodium been present.

GEM.—If you had conducted the operations with greater care you would not have detected so many members of the group. The blow-pipe test ought to have been applied to the precipitate supposed to be due to enanguese. You said nothing about the character of the precipitate produced by sodium phosphate; if it was not erystalline you may be sure it was not due to magnesium.

FARINA.—The detection of sulphuric acid in a hydrochloric-acid solution of the mixture presented no difficulty whatever; even in a dilute solution the precipitate was quite unmistakable.

CHROM. ANAL.—The precipitate which you obtained in the hydrochloricacid solution of the mixture, on the addition of barium chloride, could not have consisted of barium chromate, as it is soluble in hydrochloric acid. It seemed to be yellow because it was in an intensely yellow liquid.

A. LAZENBY.—As we have pointed out above, the separation of nickel from chromium could not be effected satisfactorily in this case by means of ammonia; the nickel was almost completely precipitated along with the chrominm hydrate. A very good separation was effected by treating the mixed precipitate consisting of chromium hydrate and nickel sulphide with dilute hydrochloric acid. The hydrochloric acid for this purpose should not be stronger than about 10 of acid to 5 of water, and it should be employed cold; if it is warmed there is great risk of dissolving nickel or cobalt sulphide. It is best to transfer the precipitate from the filter to a beaker by means of a jet of water from the washbottle; then add the dilute hydrochloric acid, stir the liquid for a few minutes, and filter if anything remains undissolved.

T. GUTTRIDGE.—The black precipitate which was to be examined for nickel and cobalt ought to have been tested in the borax bead. The cobalt reaction is very delicate and characteristic; in the absence of cobalt the nickel reaction is unmistakable.

H. G. WOODLIFFE.—Arsenic in any form ought to have been precipitated by sulphuretted hydrogen. You say that you added ammonium chloride, ammonia, and ammonium sulphide to a hydrochlorie-acid solution of the mixture, and that no precipitate was produced. This is quite impossible.

H. D. KELF.—The precipitates to which you refer were due to the presence of a chromate.

EDGAR.—If you had used enough sulphuretted hydrogen the brown colouration would have disappeared, and a white, or nearly white, precipitate would have settled down in a bright green solution.

W. H. Goy.—The work which will answer your purpose best is Fresenius's "Qualitative Analysis," tenth edition.

FLUORINE—The cobalt-nitrate test was quite valueless with a highly-coloured residue such as you had in this case. The test is one of very limited application, and requires a good deal of experience.

Metropolitan Reports.

THE WESTMINSTER COLLEGE PHARMACY CLUB gave its first concert at the Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, on Wednesday evening. Notwithstanding the unfavourable night 150 members and friends were present.

CHEMICALS AND THE LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL.-At the meeting of the London County Council, which was held on Tuesday at the Guildhall, the Earl of Rosebery in the chair, a report was brought up by Mr. Arthur Arnold, as chairman of the Main Drainage Committee, in which it was stated that the Committee had received from the chemist his report, and that of Mr. Shoolbred, as to the experiments carried out by Mr. W. Webster at Crossness, on the electrical treatment of sewage, and they recommended that these reports be printed and distributed to the members of the Council, which was agreed to. The committee had received a report from the chemist as to the chemicals used during the past summer, from which they took the following extract:-"The quantities used at the Barking Outfall from 23rd May to 12th October were 1,313 tons of manganate, and 391 tons of sulphuric acid. At Crossness the quantities used from 23rd May to 6th October were 1,686 tons of man-ganate and 664 tons of sulphuric acid, whilst there were used at the Storm Overflows during the same period 187 tons of manganate and 40 tons of sulphuric acid, the total being 3,197 tons 1 cwt. 3 qrs. 6 lbs. manganate, and 1,096 tons 17 cwt. 2 qrs. 8 lbs. acid, at a cost of 25,305l. 7s." The report was adopted.

DISPENSERS' QUALIFICATIONS.—At the customary weekly meeting of the Islington Board of Guardians on Thursday, held at the Workhouse at Upper Holloway, Mr. Councillor Elliott in the chair, Mr. Broad asked the chairman, through the clerk, whether the dispensers in the service of the Guardians were qualified, and if so, what were their qualifications? The Clerk (Mr. E. Davey) said the two recently-appointed dispensers—Mr. Atkins and Mr Jones—were members of the Pharmaceutical Society, but as to the third dispenser, he would have to make inquiries before he could give the information; but this gentleman had been a dispenser for 50 years, and prior to his appointment he was in business as a chemist.

The Chairman: If he is not qualified, it is rather late in the day to find it out and make complaint.

Mr. Broad denied that he had made any complaint, but he wished to point out that should it turn out that they were employing unqualified dispensers, under a recent interpretation of the Pharmacy Act it might be made very uncomfortable for them.

The Clerk: When was the decision given?

Mr. Broad: About a month ago, and the case is now pending before the higher Courts.

A Member: Then it is not a decision yet.

The Clerk, having sent to make inquiries, said he could not answer the question without searching back through the records of former years, as to whether the third dispenser was a qualified chemist or not, but he would repeat that he had been a dispenser for fifty years, and the Local Government Board sanctioned the appointment. There was, he believed, a provision in the new Act for old chemists, and, whether this dispenser was qualified or not, he knew that before his appointment half a century ago, he was in business as a chemist.

Mr. Broad said there was a provision in the Act for the old chemists, but they must have registered themselves at the time the Act was passed; unless they did so then they were debarred from doing so now. [Mr. Broad is wrong in this.—Editor.] He had no personal feeling in the matter whatever, but under the decision he had referred to, he felt it important they should know whether all their dispensers were qualified under the Pharmacy Act or not. As a chemist himself, the decision had naturally engaged his attention.

The Clerk said he would make the necessary inquiries, and the matter then dropped.

THE ISLINGTON GUARDIANS AND THEIR DRUG CONTRACT.

—On Thursday, at the ordinary weekly meeting of the Islington Board of Guardians, held at the Workhouse, St. John's Road, Upper Holloway, Mr. Councillor G. S. Elliott, chair-

man, presiding, a recommendation to continue the supply of drugs from Messrs. Herrings for another year provoked considerable discussion. Mr. Furlong (vice-chairman) moved that the contract with Messrs. Herrings be renewed. He was very strongly opposed to advertising, believing it to be an unnecessary expense. The Guardians had dealt with Messrs. Herrings for drugs for a very considerable period, and they had found their drugs to be superior to those they had had from other firms. In fact, the drugs they had had elsewhere had been found to be mouldy, rotten, and only fit to be thrown away.

An amendment that tenders be advertised for was negatived. Mr. Broad then moved a further amendment to the effect that six firms of druggists be written to, asking them to send in tenders. This was seconded by Mr. Goodman, and carried. A resolution was next moved providing that the samples sent in by the various firms should be examined by a committee of the dispensers and medical officers in the service of the guardians. Mr. Lambert was opposed to this, and moved an amendment that the samples be examined by a committee

of the whole Board.

Mr. Stonelake: What is the good of that? We know

nothing about drugs.

Mr. Lambert: There are several guardians who know a great deal about drugs, and I will alter my amendment so as to make the committee one consisting of six guardians instead of the whole Board. When you have a building matter in hand you refer it to a committee of guardians, and why not do the same with other matters?

The amendment was negatived.

The following firms were then suggested to be written to for tenders:—Messrs. Mackey & Co., Herrings & Co., Baiss Brothers, Barron, Harveys & Co., Hodgkinson & Co., Bush & Co., and Stevenson & Howell.

The Chairman pointed out that there were now seven names before the Board, and they had decided that the number to be written to should be limited to six. The names were then submitted in the order in which they are given above, and the number reduced to six by striking out Messrs. Bush & Co. The matter then dropped, it being agreed that the committee of doctors and dispensers should report the result of their examination to the Board.

Probincial Reports.

Items of news, and newspapers containing matters of interest to the trade, sent to the Editor will much oblige.

BARNSLEY.

REFUSING TO SELL FOR ANALYSIS .- On Wednesday, at the Barnsley Court House, before Messrs. J. Kaye, H. Pigott, and Col. Neville, Joshua Willey, chemist, of Hoyland Nether, was charged under the Sale of Food and Drugs Act, 1879, with having on sale by retail a certain drug which he refused to supply to Inspector Turton, on December 10. Superintendent Kane explained that in accordance with a circular issued by the officer of health, Inspector Turton was sent to Hoyland Nether to defendant's shop with a prescription. It was handed to the defendant, made up, and handed back to the inspector, who told defendant that he wanted it for the purpose of having it analysed. The moment Mr. Willey heard what it was wanted for, he snatched the bottle out of the inspector's hand, and declined to give it back again. The prescription contained iodide potassium, chloroform, and water, and was for analysis. Inspector Turton then gave evidence. The defendant explained that he told the officer it was not made in accordance with the prescription, but it contained what was quite as good for medicinal purposes. He called William Roystone, his apprentice, who said he made up the prescription in accordance with Mr. Willey's instructions, and, having put a label on it, put it on the counter. The label was in accord-ance with the prescription. Mr. Willey took up the bottle from the counter. Witness never saw the bottle in the officer's hands. He left the shop before the bottle was Witness heard the officer say that he wanted it taken up.

for analysis, and Mr. Willey replied it would do equally well for medicinal purposes. Mr. Kaye said that the medical officer of the West Riding was taking action. There were so many things substituted one for another that it was time it was put a stop to. A fine of 40s. and costs was imposed.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ALKALI TRADE.—Messrs. Chance Brothers, chemical manufacturers, of Oldbury, near Birmingham, have given notice that they will be obliged to close a portion of their furnaces and reduce the number of their men. This is owing to the high price of coal-slack, which has gone up nearly 50 per cent, and to the present condition of the chemical trade, which will not permit an advance in the selling price of soda and other chemicals.

CASES UNDER THE APOTHECARIES ACT .- As previously reported, the Apothecaries' Society have commenced proceedings against certain persons in Birmingham who were alleged to have been illegally acting as apothecaries by attending and advising patients and supplying them with medicine. The penalty claimed under each summons is 201. Two penalties each were claimed from John Marston and C. F. Groom, who at the time of the alleged breaches of the Act practised in Great Charles Street as "Dr. Hunter & Co." Both these defendants had paid into court 871.8s. 8d., the amount of the penalties claimed against them, with costs. The cases which remained were two summonses against Jesse Key, of 97 Hill Street, trading as "Dr. Curtis & Co.." and one against William Welch, of 19 Hurst Street, trading as "J. & W. May." These were set down for hearing on Monday last in the County Court, before Judge Chalmers, but when they were called Dr. Showell Rogers, who appeared for the Apothecaries' Society, applied for the adjournment of the cases, on the ground that the two material witnesses had been subpognaed to attend that day at Warwick Assizes. As attendance at assizes took precedence over attendance at county courts, he presumed that the adjournment would be granted as a matter of course, and that the costs would be costs in the action. Mr. Stanbury Eardley, who represented Welch, objected to the adjournment, stating that his client. was prepared to go on. This was a penal action, and the informants were entitled to half the penalties, and in those circumstances he thought that they were not entitled to any consideration. It was most improper that the informant should be a policeman. Dr. Showell Rogers replied that the police officers were not entitled to a share of the penalties. The officers were not the informant; they were only witnesses. It appears that notice of the intended application for adjournment had been sent to the defendants on December 11, and his Honour said that gave ample time for witnesses to be warned not to attend. The cases were then adjourned to January 13. Another summons under the same Act against Alfred Brown, of Brunswick House, and Braithwaite Road, Sparkbrook, was heard. Mr. B. Weekes appeared for the Society of Apothecaries, and said defendant was a specimen of the class of illegal practitioners who, with no qualifications entitling them to act as medical men, opened a respectable-looking house, put up a speaking-tube and a night-bell, and placed their name on a lamp, making such outward show that the poor and ignorant mistook them for properly qualified medical men. The defendant had signed a confession admitting that he was liable for the penalty, and had offered to pay by instalments of 11. a month, but he (Mr. Weekes) was instructed that the defendant was in a good position, and able to pay forthwith. The defendant, who appeared in person, said he was unable to pay, and he was very poor. In reply to his Honour, the defendant said that the furniture in his house belonged to his wife. His Honour: I find that furniture in most defendants' houses in Birmingham does. (Laughter.) Mr. Weekes produced a photograph of the defendant's house, which defendant admitted was a correct one, and this showed a large and respectable-looking residence, with lamps and speaking-tube as described by Mr. Weekes. Defendant admitted, in answer to Mr. Weekes, that since the issue of the summons he had left the house and removed his furniture to another, which was taken in his wife's name. His Honour: The usual order is fourteen days. Mr. Weekes: I am instructed to press for an immediate order; otherwise we have reason to suppose the defendant may again take steps to defeat the elaim. His Honour: Very well; I will make the order for payment fortwith.

BRIGHTON.

CHEMISTS' BALL.—Some of the leading chemists in the town are thinking about holding a ball in aid of the benevolent fund. It will probably come off in February of next year. The prime movers are Mr. Marshall Leigh (chairman), Mr. Williamson (secretary), and Messrs. Histed, T. H. B. Long, Costerton, W. W. Savage, Thorne, and Shepherd.

BRISTOL.

AN Excise officer, well known for his vigilance in connection with the Medicine Stamp Acts, has this week made quite a raid upon upwards of a dozen chemists in Bristol and neighbourhood, and has succeeded in purchasing from every one unstamped specialities, about which they will doubtless hear more from Somerset House.

CARDIFF.

THE movement for the reform of the Pharmaceutical Council has extended to Cardiff; the local secretary, Mr. Alfred Coleman, having sent out a notice to chemists respecting the selection of candidates for the Council. The object, it is stated, is to support at the next election those who will pledge themselves to do their utmost to redress the grievances and improve the position of the retail chemist.

THE TOOTHACHE SPECIFIC CASE.—A fortnight since we reported particulars of proceedings before the Cardiff Police Court, in the case brought by the Inland Revenue authorities against Mr. C. F. Clarke, for the sale of a toothache specific which was made with methylated spirit. The case was adjourned while the magistrates considered how far the expression in the statute, "capable of being taken internally as a medicine," was applicable. They have now dismissed the ease.

LIVERPOOL.

Mr. ELLITHORNE, who owns a handsome pharmacy on the Cheshire side of the Mersey, and another in London Road, has added a third, which he is fitting in a very attractive style in Shaw Street.

SCHOOL OF PHARMACY.—Mr. Ward has taken new and excellent premises in a more central position, and hopes to have them fitted complete in time for the next course, which commences on January 6, 1890. We believe he intends to close his shop in Oxford Street, Abercromby Square.

PHARMACEUTICAL STUDENTS' SOCIETY.—The usual fortnightly meeting of the above Society was held on Dec. 12, the Vice-President, Mr. Johnson, in the chair. The President, Mr. Wyatt, read a paper on "The Dry Re-actions of Simple Salts." As a substitute for blue glass in detecting the potassium flame, he recommended a solution of aniline violet made in the following way:-First make an ordinary solution of aniline violet, and then add sufficient methyl blue to give the desired tint, or, instead of the methyl blue, a solution of permanganate of potash may be used. A very satisfactory test for sulphonal was, he said, that of heating it with cyanide of potassium in a dry tube, a very characteristic odour, somewhat resembling garlic, being given off. Borax beads seldom gave good results, except with cobalt and nickel. It was almost impossible to get the amethyst tint, mentioned by Attfield and others as being produced by manganese. The paper was discussed until a late hour by Messrs. Shaw, Johnson, and Mitchell. Mr. Johnson reeommended as a test for manganese to heat together three parts of sodium carbonate and one part of nitrate of potash, and to use it in the same manner as a borax bead, when the amethyst colour was well produced. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Wyatt for his paper, and also for his liberality in presenting the society with a substantial blackboard. The next meeting will be held on January 9, 1890.

MANCHESTER.

THE INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC.—In hand-bills and in newspaper advertisements, many of our Manchester druggists have this week been engaged in proclaiming the merits of their specialities for the cure of influenza.

LIKE MASTER, LIKE MAN.—There is talk of the winding-up of the affairs of the Manchester Chemists' Assistants' Association. Last year, as in some previous years, the attendance at the meetings was meagre in the extreme. At least one paper had to go unread for want of a quorum. This year no meeting has been held. Unless the assistants themselves come to the rescue, the association will soon be numbered amongst the things that were.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR DISEASE.—At the Salford County Court on Tucsday, before Mr. H. H. West, Q.C., judge, a somewhat novel cause of action was raised by a young man named Cain, who sued his employers, Messrs. Boydell Bros., tailors, Market Street, Manchester, for damages, on the ground that he had taken typhoid fever in consequence, it was alleged, of an untrapped drain communicating with a sink which was in proximity with a speaking tube which plaintiff had to use. Defendants' solicitor argued that there was no case to go to a jury, but the judge ruled that there was a case. The jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff, and assessed the damages at 30%. The judge consented to stay execution pending appeal.

MIDDLESBOROUGH.

SALE OF IMPURE LARD.—On December 12, at the Middlesborough Police Court, Thomas Parry, grocer, was charged under the Sale of Food and Drugs Act with selling as pure lard a compound of mixed fats. Mr. Barnley, who prosecuted, said the defendant did not deny the sale, nor the result of the analysis, but produced a warranty to the effect that the lard was pure. The warranty, however, had been obtained since the institution of the proceedings. The lard in question contained 25 per cent. of cotton-seed oil and beef stearine. Messrs. Armour, besides selling a warranted pure lard, also sold a compound of the kind supplied by defendant. The defendant said he purchased the lard of Mr. Amos Hinton as pure lard. As soon as this matter occurred he asked Mr. Hinton for a warranty, and obtained the one produced. Mr. Hinton said he had supplied the defendant with Armour's pure lard. As soon as he heard of the case he had a sample of the lard supplied analysed, and it was found pure. The magistrates were of opinion that the lard sold was not the same as supplied by Mr. Hinton to the defendant, and fined him 50s., including costs.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

ANOTHER DRUG STORE.—The two chief assistants of a well-known company store in the town are starting in opposition in the same thoroughfare, and the interesting feature of the new concern is that a lady is one of the active partners. The eoncern is started as a limited liability company under the name of Heatley, Janisch & Co. (Limited).

THE CHEMICAL TRADE.—Perhaps no locality in the kingdom is sharing so largely in the benefits of improved trade as the coal and iron districts of the North-East of England. No men are now idle, except those who will not work; and as the year draws to a close, and men look forward, the outlook is cheering for all except the ehemical manufacturers. The low prices for the hitherto profitable "bleach" may sink many a firm whose long years of plucky fighting have won for them general admiration.

The historic establishment of Alderman Dobson in the Side, a sketch of which was published in this journal on September 28, is about to be extinguished. It is probably the only chemist's shop which has been immortalised in the glass record of a cathedral memorial window, for in eulogising the virtues of its former proprietor the artist in glass showed the philanthropie pharmacist, with his pharmacy as a background. The present proprietor, desirous of giving np business, has tried to sell it as a going concern, but has not succeeded, and it is now the scene of the melancholy process of "selling off."

PHARMACEUTICAL EDUCATION.—The classes of the local association have met with better success this session than in the three previous sessions. Mr. Wright has a good class, and his excellent lectures on materia medica have evoked a more enthusiastic spirit in the students. Mr. Stuart's botany class has also gone on well, despite some ill-luck in the matter of interruption. The work of this class is now shared by Mr. Potter, the newly-appointed teacher of biology in the College of Science. In chemistry, too, students are fortunate, for it is rare that so comparatively small a class as pharmacy can furnish is able to secure such excellent tuition as that given by Professor Bedson and Mr. Shaw.

NOTTINGHAM.

NOTTS CHEMISTS' ASSOCIATION.—The annual dinner of this association was held at the Masonic Hall, on Friday, December 13. The President, Councillor Fitzhugh, J.P., occupied the chair. The usual toasts were honoured. Mr. J. S. Radford, in proposing "Continued success to the Pharmaceutical Society," said it was an institution which could not succeed in pleasing everybody. It had had a long and prosperous career, and was a society with which they were intimately connected. Mr. W. H. Parker (local secretary), in response, alluded in terms of regret to the indifference which the Society showed in regard to matters which were to the advantage of its members and the trade generally. Dr. C. Haydon White proposed "The Nottingham and Notts Chemists' Association," and the Chairman in reply observed that the Association generally was in a satisfactory condition. He had always desired to advance the interests of chemists, and that in one way might be done by attending to the wants of the younger members. He had been their President for many years, during which time the Association had helped to qualify many students for their profession. He had had a most harmonious committee to work with, and whilst they had such a committee and officers he was sure the Society would continue to flourish. Mr. C. A. Bolton, in proposing "The Professors and Teachers of Classes," alluded to the advantage derived from the classes held in connection with the University College. In coupling the name of Professor Clowes with the toast, he alluded to the earnest work done by that gentleman and Dr. White in connection with the association. Professor Clowes and Dr. White responded. Mr. Parker (Evans, Sons & Co., Liverpool) proposed "The Town and Trade of Nottingham," and Councillor J. Lees re-sponded. The "Health of the Visitors" was given by the President, and replied to by Councillor F. Farrands. The "Health of the Chairman" was musically honoured, and the proceedings were enlivened by songs and recitations, given by Messrs. Casson (Tudor & Co., Hull), Bird, Davis, Hooke, Dennis, and Parr. Mr. Cockrem presided at the

PLYMOUTH.

A CORONER ON PRESCRIBING CHEMISTS.—At an inquest held on Tuesday evening, at the Spread Eagle Inn, Treville Street, on the body of the child of a private in the Royal Marine Light Infantry, a midwife deposed to acting on Mr. Balkwill's advice to give deceased an injection of warm water and castor oil. The coroner commented strongly on the practice of chemists prescribing for the complaints of patients whom they had never seen. The jury returned a verdict of "Death from natural causes"—viz., convulsions.

IRELAND.

DR. WILLIAM BRADLEY, apothecary, Drogheda, is contesting the vacant coronership of Meath.

THE death at Dalkey is notified of Mr. Thomas Finlay, dispensary officer of the Gweedore district.

DEATH.—The death is announced at Cavan of Mr. Francis McKenna, apothecary, L.A.H., at the age of 35.

The Dublin corporation have forwarded a subscription of 100l. to the funds of the Railway Rates Association.

SIR HENRY COCHRANE, chemist, Dublin, has been appointed deputy-chairman of the Corporate Committee.

Mr. P. R. HAYES, a Tipperary druggist and general dealer, has been evicted from his holding for non-payment of rent.

THE Dublin civic authorities are about to introduce into the city the provisions of the Infectious Diseases (Notification) Act, 1889.

SIR JAMES HASLETT, chemist and druggist, Belfast, has placed at the disposal of the corporate authorities a site for a new dispensary.

TENDERS.—Tenders for a year's supply of medicines, drugs, and medical appliances are invited by the Governors of the House of Industry Government Hospitals, Dublin, and by the Belfast Waterworks Commissioners (December 24).

Last week, at the Dublin County Commission, John Neill was indicted for having wilfully smashed the plate-glass windows of Dr. Furlong's pharmacy, Kingstown, and for making a deliberate attempt to murder the proprietor, against whom he had a grudge. The prisoner pleaded guilty, and threw himself on the mercy of the court, and, having offered to replace the broken glass, was put back for sentence on the second count.

LIMERICK POISONING CASE.—SENTENCE OF DEATH.—On Saturday, December 14, at the Munster Assizes, Michael O'Brien, coachman, was charged with the murder of his father-in-law, John Manning, of Mungret, by poisoning him with arsenic. In Manning's body was found 23 grains of arsenic, and it was proved that O'Brien had unsuccessfully tried to get poison at the shop of Mr. Waugh, chemist, Limerick, and at several other chemists', representing falsely that he was still coachman to Dr. Murphy, and that he wanted it to poison a dog belonging to young Dr. Murphy. Three days before Manning's death he bought the arsenic, and after the death O'Brien showed great anxiety for a speedy funeral. He had two years ago effected a policy on Manning's life for 18t. with the Liver Friendly Society. Mr. R. J. Moss, analytical chemist, deposed that he had examined the stomach of the deceased and found 23 grains of arsenic in it. A tenth part of that would cause death. Judge Murphy sentenced O'Brien to death, and he will be executed on January 14.

SCOTLAND.

ABERDEEN.

POND'S DRUG STORES (LIMITED) have opened a shop in Holburn Street, under the management of Mr. James R. Mackenzie, from Messrs. Duncan, Flockhart & Co., Edinburgh. In their announcement they say, "Prescriptions dispensed at about half the usual price."

The Aberdeen Medico-Chirurgical Society celebrated its centenary on Saturday by holding a dinner in their hall in King Street. The chair was ably filled by the president, Professor Smith Shand. We are sorry to say Pharmacy was overlooked when the invitations were being issued.

CHEMISTS AND DRUGGISTS' ASSISTANTS' AND APPRENTICES' ASSOCIATION.—The fourth meeting of the eighth session of this association was held on Friday, December 13, when a lecture was delivered by Mr. Clark, pharmaceutical chemist, on "Volumetric Analysis," with experimental illustrations. Mr. Clark demonstrated with considerable success some easily attainable methods for the analysis of such articles as sodium hyposulphite, oxalic acid, liquor potassæ, ferrous sulphate, spirit of nitrous ether, &c. The next meeting, on December 27, will be a musical and social one; and a class for Minor students is to be commenced under the auspices of the association.

DUNDEE.

CHEMISTS' ASSISTANTS' AND APPRENTICES' ASSOCIATION.

—At the meeting on Thursday, December 12, the secretary read the committee's report on the apprentices' prize competition, the successful men being—Mr. Charles T. Duncan, first; Mr. Fred David, second; and Mr. James Fernie, third. Mr. Lindsay then read a paper on Infusions, in which he said that fresh infusions were almost unknown in many pharmacies. Speaking of concentrated infusions, he said

that infusion of calumba was one of the most difficult to make, but he had found that percolation was the method best suited for this. In concluding a very instructive paper, Mr. Lindsay advocated the boiling of the water for a short time before making the infusion, as in this way it kept better. In the discussion which followed some interesting experiences were given, but nothing strikingly new was

brought out.

The next paper was on Pill-coating, by Mr. Isaac Hislop. After some introductory remarks, Mr. Hislop said that objections had been raised to silvering pil. hydrarg., but he had found no difficulty. He added a little tragacanth to the mass in order to harden it, and after they were thoroughly dry, silvered in the same manner as any other pill. He then treated in turn the various methods of coating. For pearl-coating he used a solution of resin in sulphuric ether as a varnish (1 in 4); then he used ordinary mucilage of accait to take on the French chalk. For gelatine-coating he used a solution composed of gelatine 1 oz., glycerine ½ oz., and water 8 oz. For sugar-coating he quoted Dr. Symes's method (see "Art of Dispensing," page 82), which was all that could be desired. After an exchange of opinion on the merits of coated versus uncoated pills,

The Chairman called on Mr. T. C. Henderson to read the last paper, which was on improved formulæ for two Phamacopæia lotions. The notes on the first of these,

Lotio Hydrargyri Nigra,

arose from Mr. Heale's letter in this journal on November 30. In hospital practice this lotion is a stock one, and consequently the author had frequently observed the change mentioned by Mr. Heale. The cause of the change is oxidation of the mercurous oxide into mercuric oxide. Accepting this as correct, the point for us is to prevent this oxidation, if possible, and this can be effectually done by the introduction of a small quantity of glycerine, proceeding thus:—

Take of

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      Calomel
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      60 grs.

      Glycerine
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      3j.

      Lime water
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      q.s.
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Rub up the calomel with the glycerine, and transfer to a bottle; add 4 oz. of lime water and shake well, then add sufficient lime water to produce 1 pint.

Made in this way the black oxide is in a much finer state of division, shakes up more readily, and keeps any length of time without change, while the product is more elegant in appearance than the B.P. preparation. For those who use large quantities of this, the calomel and glycerine may be kept readily mixed (5j. of calomel in 3j. of glycerine), and the requisite quantity taken, and lime water added as required.

Lotio Plumbi c. Opio.

Although not yet official, this is a lotion which is largely prescribed, and many formulæ for its preparation are followed. In the Dundee Hospital Pharmacopæia the formula given is:—

Made according to that formula the product has a muddy appearance, is of a dirty brownish-grey colour, and soon separates, thickly coating the sides of the bottle in which it is dispensed. After several attempts to improve the appearance of this, the author selected the following:—

Liq. plumbi subacet.	 	••		3j.
Glycerini	 ••			3j.
Tinct. opii	 		• •	3j.
A one ad				Zvv

Dilute the tincture of opium with 15 or 16 oz. of water. Mix the lead and glycerine together, add these, and finally make up to 20 oz. with water.

The result of this modification is a quite transparent lotion, which does not separate, and is certainly much more presentable than the former, and thus should find favour in the eyes of all who advocate elegance in dispensing.

After a short discussion and some announcements, the association adjourned until January 16, 1890.

EDINBURGH.

THE Scottish Drug Depôt have made extensive alterations on Furley's old shop at Tollcross. The front has been taken out and a new one with four handsome plate-glass windows has taken its place. The door now faces Earl Grey Street, and will be open to the public next week.

THE Chemists' Assistants' conversazione came off on Friday, December 13, and was an unqualified success. Conversazione is rather a good name for the assistants' social meeting. It enables them to speak of the festival with easy confidence in the strictest circles, where "junior ball" might be scarcely tolerated. A correspondent who sends us some account of the proceedings seems to be rather mixed in his views as to the department of the paper for which he is writing. He says:—" Ladies averaged 15 to 17 per cent. premium at the conversazione. The market was active but fluctuating throughout the evening. Business began in earnest with the distribution of the dance programmes, although many private transactions of limited extent had been coucluded during the previous two hours of the concert. So rapid were the registrations that it may be said the market was almost cleared when No. 3 was put up. Job lots were few, and when, under the influence of the seductive strains of the 'Dorothy' waltz (No. 6) the groups of anxious outsiders seemed to be goaded almost to desperation, a dollar a dance is known to have been offered and refused by fortunate holders. About this time quotations may be said to have reached their maximum, and it was freely stated that a 'corner' was inevitable, when the stewards, with commendable foresight, declared for two 'extras.' Immediately on the card being put up quotations were reduced from about 140 to par, and the late comers and slow ones had a good time for the next twenty minutes. The market hardened on the resumption of the second part of the programme, and although inquiries were constant and offers tempting, all good lots were firmly held. The market closed firm and was a success, if we may judge by the look of satisfaction with which the fortunate ones removed the goods."

General and Probincial Rews.

THE aniline trade in Germany is particularly brisk just at present. The large firm of the Farbwerke, vorm. Meister, Lucius & Brüning, in Höchst-on-Main, are erecting a new sulphuric-acid chamber to satisfy their increased requirements. When this chamber is ready the works will turn out 100 tons of sulphuric acid daily.

CARBOLIC-ACID POISONING.—On December 11 at Alnwick an inquest was held on the body of Richard Embleton, 50, a tobacco-spinner, who had committed suicide the previous day by taking carbolic acid. Sums of money amounting to about 321.10s. had been stolen from the deceased, and this, it is thought, had preyed upon his mind. The jury gave a verdict of "Suicide when in an unsound state of mind."

A LARGE works for the manufacture of soda is being erected in the Government of Jekaterinoslav, in Southern Russia. The output is estimated at 1,000,000 poods, or about 16,000 tons per annum. The extensive salt-deposits in the vicinity of the factories are now being worked by a French company, who are under contract to supply the necessary salt to the new factory.

FIRES.—On the evening of December 14 a fire broke out at the oil stores of Mr. Berridge, chemist, Leicester, which are situated in a narrow street near the market place. A large crowd gathered, and for some time great excitement prevailed owing to the inflammable nature of the stores.—On December 16 a serious fire entirely destroyed the Albion Chemical Works, Coatbridge, belonging to Messrs. A. S. Fleming & Co., oil refiners. The fire was caused through a large eauldron containing varnish boiling over and the contents coming in contact with some red-hot cinders. Mr. Fleming, the manager, who was superintending the preparation of the varnish, was severely burned. It is estimated the damage done to Messrs. Fleming will amount to over 1.000%.

LIVERPOOL CHEMISTS' ASSOCIATION.

AT the meeting held on December 12, Mr. A. H. Samuel, president, in the chair, there was but a small attendance, partly due to the fact that the Pharmaceutical Students' Society met on the same evening, and some few persons are members of both associations. Dr. Symes exhibited a specimen of

SYNTHETIC PURE PHENOL, OR ARTIFICIAL CARBOLIC ACID,

which, he said, was being manufactured and put on the market by the Badische-Anilin-und Soda-Fabrik at Ludwichshafen-on-the-Rhine. That it was really pure was shown to some extent by its high melting-point—viz., 106° to 107° F.—whilst the ordinary so-called pure acid melted at about 102° F. Its boiling-point is 302° F. It is free from the usual tarry odour, and dissolves to the extent of 1 in 12 of water. He could not say if its antiseptic properties were equal to those of the ordinary acid, and at present the price was somewhat higher. The sample, which had been exposed to the light and occasionally to the air for two or three weeks, was not so perfectly colourless as when first imported. This was interesting, as he did not think it had yet been definitely settled as to the cause of pure carbolic acid becoming coloured. The process of its manufacture was secret.

Mr. A. C. Abraham regarded the specimen as practically eolourless. He thought it had been definitely settled that the pink colour of carbolic acid was due to the presence of copper, it being always evaporated in copper vessels.

Mr. Conroy remarked on the somewhat acetic odour of the specimen. He thought it of considerable interest; but there was always a certain amount of doubt in one's mind about the synthetic production of such things so long as the process was secret.

Dr. SYMES, replying, said copper, ammonia, and some other substances had been credited with being the cause of pinkness in carbolic acid, but he did not look on the point as definitely settled. He would like to direct the attention of the meeting to a specimen of phenyl-urethan which he had placed on the table. It was a new remedy recommended by Dr. Giacomini, of Turin, as an antipyretic, anti-rheumatic, &c., the medium dose of this substance being 8 grains, either suspended or in catchets, as it is almost insoluble in water.

A paper was then read on

CONCENTRATED INFUSION OF SENEGA.

By Anthony S. Buck.

The object of this paper was to bring under the notice of the members a simple way for making this preparation. The author said that the rule in all first-class pharmacies is to have infusion of senega and other infusions and decoctions freshly prepared. During the day this may generally be done with ease, though occasionally the patient may not be able to grant the time necessary for its production. At night there is greater difficulty in adhering to the rule, and hence the need for having at hand an article which will keep well and be as nearly as possible equivalent to what is ordered. Medical men are now ordering concentrated infusions as component parts of mixtures. Only last week the author had 3x. inf. scneg. conc. ordered in a 6-oz. mixture. His attention was first drawn to the concentrated preparation during an engagement where the law was 1—7, and, he supposed, almost every medical man who dispenses his own prescriptions, and perhaps four-fifths of the chemists, make their infusions in the same way.

The commercial preparation to which he referred was dark coloured, and produced an infusion darker than it should have been. It had little or none of the aroma of senega, and the acrid or soapy taste was wanting. In fact the impression conveyed to his mind was that the root had not been used in its production, and that from prunes as good results would have been obtained.

The sample he brought forward seemed to have all the requirements of a good aqueous solution, viz., the colour was not too deep, the aroma was perfect, the taste fully bore out these statements, and though the appearance was not quite

so elegant as that of some of the bought samples, he thought it would justify itself on dilution, as the heavy deposit of saponin did not matter much. The process employed in making the preparation was the percolation and repercolation process with cold water, mentioned in THE CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST some time since, and a simple apparatus was shown to illustrate the proceeding. The percolators are penny lamp-glasses which answer very well, the stand being made for the purpose. These glasses and the stand are most useful on the dispensing counter—in fact, there are few days when they are not put to some use. The quantity of water used is little in excess of the volume of product, no evaporation or heat is required, and to these reasons Mr. Buck put down the light colour and better aroma.

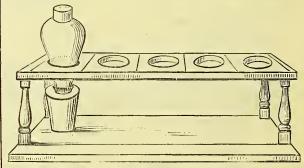
In making, say, 1 pint of product, 8 oz. of the root is taken and ground to a uniform coarse powder, and distributed through five glasses. This seems to be the lowest number which can be employed for the thorough exhaustion of senega by this process. Into Number 1 we put, say, 3 oz of distilled water. Any percolate is passed into No. 2, more water being added to No. 1, and so on until $16\frac{1}{2}$ oz. is collected from No. 5. By this time the water is passing through the marc without taste and almost colourless, the marc itself being tasteless. To the $16\frac{1}{2}$ oz. $3\frac{1}{2}$ oz. of S.V.R. is added. A precipitate is immediately thrown down, and this deposit goes on increasing for some days. Of this solid matter the author takes no notice, as he finds that upon dilution, and on the addition of only a small quantity of ammonia, a very elegant mixture is produced. The saponin, which appears to be present in such large quantities, is not noticeable when the concentrated infusion is simply diluted and without any addition.

The author showed three samples to prove his case as to the value of an infusion made in this way. One hundred cubic centimetres each of fresh infusion, fresh decoction, infusion from this process, and infusion from a bought preparation were evaporated to dryness, with the following results:—

These results tend to show the advantage of the cold-water process. No. 4 was received into stock bright, and Mr. Buck presumed it must have been poured off or filtered to account for this low percentage.

The dried marcs from 1, 2, and 3 were treated with proof spirit in the B.P. tincture proportions. The small tinctures were filtered, and portions evaporated to dryness. The tinctures were practically without taste or colour, and the residues very small.

From the dried extracts of the first, second, and third aqueous preparations the author prepared a powder on the lines of the U.S. Pharmacopæia Abstracts, the strength being 4 root = 1 powder. The abstract was satisfactory in aroma and taste, and might be of service where it is desired



This is an engraving of the stand referred to in Mr. Buck's paper. The fabric which covers the outlet of the percolator is fixed by means of white guttapercha. The percolators are constantly in use at the dispensing-counter as strainers.

to give senega in powder form. When made on a large scale, this powder could be produced more cheaply from the tincture.

Now that concentrated infusions are so much used, it is

time they had some official recognition either in the B.P. or B.P.C. Formulary, so that chemists who wish to make their own preparations could have some definite lines to work on, instead of each operator using his own process, and with such different results.

The specimen which Mr. Buck showed was turbid, but possessed the well-marked odour and taste of the drug, and when diluted resembled very closely the fresh infusion.

Mr. Conroy, in moving a vote of thanks, remarked on the neat and useful "lamp-glass percolator" which was shown, and said this was Mr. Buck's maiden paper—an excellent one-and he trusted the association would get many more from him. He thought a fluid extract the best preparation.

Mr. A. C. ABRAHAM asked Mr. Buck if he had satisfied himself as to having exhausted the senega by treating it in the way described. He had prepared some concentrated infusion by simple percolation, using as a menstruum a mixture of 1 part spirit and 3 of water, and he found it about double strength—in fact, to get a preparation which, when diluted in proper proportions, fairly represented the infusion, he had to use only half the quantity of senega.

Mr. Виск, replying, said by his process exhaustion was

complete. He thought wholesale houses should not send out concentrated infusions of senega bright, the turbid preparation being much better.

A unanimous vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Buck for his paper.

Mr. A. C. Abraham next read his

NOTES ON SOME OF THE PAPERS READ AT THE LAST MEETING OF THE BRITISH PHARMACEUTICAL CON-

Tineture of Senna.—He supported Mr. Proctor's view concerning this, and thought it unfortunate that such a preparation should be retained in the Pharmacopæia, whilst many useful preparations were omitted. Its use in mist. sennæ co. was wasteful; it merely represented the amount of spirit which it contained.

Papain and Pepsin.-Mr. Abraham thought Mr. Ball's criticism of the Pharmacopæia test for pepsin was uncalled for. It was a very satisfactory test, and he thought a pepsin which responded to it should be regarded as a good commercial article. He was rather surprised that no one more strongly put forward this claim during the discussion which followed Mr. Ball's paper.

Are Glass Bottles Soluble?—It was, he said, well known that some chemicals acted on glass, but he had not experi-mented on smooth surfaces. He found that a solution of phenolphthalein was coloured pink by a ground-glass

stopper.

Extract of Stramonium.—Mr. Abraham confirmed Mr. Gerrard's views as to the uselessness of extracting the seeds with ether previous to exhaustion. He hoped to see an improved process in the next edition of the Pharmacopæia.

Scale of Small Residues.—In the directions given for exhausting drugs it was often required that percolation should be continued so long as anything was dissolved, and this meant a long process and a large quantity of fluid to be evaporated. At the same time, the amount of active matter obtained after a certain point had been reached was practically nil. Would it not be better (he asked) to have a standard of colour or weight of residue on evaporating a small quantity, so as to determine the point at which to finish the process?

Lemon Juice.—The author thought that some amount of difference in citricity depended on whether the lemons were peeled before pressing or merely cut in two unpeeled. This was a point worth attention, as, no doubt, the outer and inner portion of the same fruit differed in acidity.

Mr. Abraham said he should have dealt with some of the other papers had the time at his disposal permitted him to do so.

In supporting a vote of thanks, Mr. Conroy referred to the difference of opinion between himself and Mr. Williams on this matter, and said he felt assured that if this gentleman continued his investigations he would come to the same conclusions as himself.

The President then delivered a short valedictory address, in which he referred to some of the advantages which had been gained by the amalgamation of the two associations. He considered that the fact of their dealing with the science of pharmacy in no way militated against their considering and dealing with matters of trade interest. In relinquishing the presidency, he in no way lost interest in the association, which he should always be pleased to support to the best of his ability.

MANCHESTER PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

THE monthly meeting of this Association was held on December 11, Mr. W. Wilkinson, one of the vicepresidents, in the chair. The attendance, although not very large, was larger than usual. A number of new members were elected. Mr. H. Kemp read a paper on

The Association and its Future Programme.

He said he felt convinced the society was not what it ought to be-that was to say, a society representative of the legitimate drug trade in that populous district. Other trades and professions had organisations which were for the most part active, and which did not merely cxist, and it was because he saw no reason why the same should not be said of their own association that he desired to bring this subject under notice. In order to ascertain the best lines on which to conduct the association in the future, it was necessary to take a glance at the past history of the association. the Pharmacy Act of 1868 became law the leading spirits of the trade in Manchester, in common with those of other large centres, such as Liverpool, Birmingham, and Sheffield, thought it only right that a society should be formed to look after the trade's interests and promote measures for the education of rising pharmacists. A preliminary meeting was called, and the Manchester Chemists and Druggists' Association was launched into existence with much éclat. He believed it included among its first subscribing members nearly the whole of the men of "light and leading" amongst local pharmacists. After tracing the course of this association to its practical extinction, Mr. Kemp said the visit of the British Pharmaceutical Conference to the City in 1886 roused a great amount of interest in matters pharmaceutical. The chemists of the city-or at least the more intelligent of them-did what they could to make the visit a memorable success. It was their association which took the initiative in collecting the forces on that occasion, and the work that was done showed that while the association was dormant it needed only a stimulus to re-awaken it into life and vigour. The Conference over, the interest exhibited by local chemists in their brethren of the pestle seemed to subside, and the association became once more what it was still-a small band of subscribing members, within whose narrow limits might be found a still smaller band of active members anxiously working to maintain vitality, whilst others stood outside waiting for some fresh, startling event to turn up which would bring excitement into the ranks of the trade generally, assailing their trade interests, and causing them to seek safety in combination. For people to wait till a panic stirred their fears was not exhibiting a noble spirit, and he heartily wished that an increasingly large number of the members of the trade would see the wisdom of giving their counsel now, instead of waiting till self-interest prompted their action. Their second rule, as lately revised, gave the objects of the society as "the promotion of pharmacy" and "the protection of legitimate trade interests," and to further these laudable objects there must exist good fellowship and good feeling among the members of the trade. When they considered how those engaged in the trade were badgered about between stupid Excise regulations on the one side, new and previously unthought-of readings of old Acts of Parliament on another, and illegal opposition on yet another, they must see that this unsatisfactory state of things was, in a great measure, the result of a want of unity. If half the chemists and druggists of the district were members of their association, and they could discuss and agree upon a policy, they were sufficient in numbers to very materially affect the result of an election to the Pharmaceutical Council, and so exert a distinct influence upon the policy of that body. Their apathy had left them without representation on the Council. The gentleman who sat upon that Council to take care of the interests of pharmacy in that immense district was allowed

to retire without a finger being lifted to prevent him or to appoint a successor until it was too late. Practically they had allowed themselves to be disfranchised. In conversation with some who were usually absentees, reasons were offered for want of interest in the society. One said, "I prefer to read science at home; the trade wants matters of trade interest." Another said, "You should make your meetings more social, less formal in character." Another, who evidently looked to receive value for his money, asked, "What good will it do me to join?" To such his answer was, "See how much good you may do others." Yet another—worse than all—said, "I don't care to bow to a clique." This last observation contained an insinuation as unkind as it was untrue, and he only mentioned it to refute it. No member of the society had more power or weight than another, if the other liked to exercise it. Trade subjects might he introduced, sociability cultivated, and by bringing individuals into contact with each other all would be benefited, and thus ultimately the good of pharmacy would be promoted.

Mr. W. Elborne, Mr. W. Lane, Mr. Botham, Mr. J. Wheeldon,

Mr. Pratt, Mr. Wild, Mr. Smith, and others, joined in the discussion which followed. All the speakers concurred with the reader of the paper in deploring the lack of interest in the society's work, and expressed approval of his suggestion that something might be done in the way of introducing variety into the proceedings, especially as the recent smoking concert had resulted in an addition to the membership of the society and an improved attendance at the present meeting. A committee was appointed to make arrangements for a supper, smoking concert, or some other form of social meet-A suggestion was made that the hour of meeting (half-past seven) should be altered, but the chairman said afternoon meetings had already been tried without success, and he did not think it was necessary to meet later in the evening, seeing that the earlier closing of shops was now very general. ("Question.") His experience certainly was that shops were not kept open as late as they used to be. Mr. Botham: I think they have no need to be; it is our own fault if they are. The suggestion to change the hour of meeting was not acted upon. A vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Kemp for his paper.

THE UNQUALIFIED ASSISTANT QUESTION.

In reply to a question by Mr. J. Wheeldon, the father of the young man who was recently prosecuted, it was stated that the question of the recent presecution of an unqualified assistant had been left off the agenda, as it was thought that the matter was one which should be discussed not merely by the association, but by the whole trade of the city and district, and the time available for calling such a meeting was too short. Besides, said Mr. Kemp, as the appeal had been lodged and the question was now subjudice, it was questionable whether it would be politic to discuss the matter at all. Mr. Wheeldon said it was not too late for Manchester to call a meeting on the subject and raise subscriptions, as had been done by local associations in other towns. The appeal was lodged in the belief that Manchester and the other towns would be disposed to bear their share of the cost. According to the last information he had, the subscriptions did not amount to half the sum which had been expected. Some conversation followed, with the result that it was suggested to Mr. Wheeldon that, if he still thought it desirable, he should take steps with the view of getting the members of the trade in Manchester and the district called together to deal with the matter.

AH LI, by birth a Chinaman, by profession a dentist, has set foot on American soil and practises on his suffering countrymen in New York. His methods are somewhat primitive: but he is popular. His operating chair is a common camp stool, and there is a smaller stool of the same height for the foot of the dentist to rest on. The head of the patient is occasionally brought upon Ah Li's elevated knee, and upon his right hand is his operating case containing curious and quaint instruments. The rapidity with which Ah Li extracts a decayed tooth is astonishing. A certain liquid preparation of a whitish nature is first put upon the doomed tooth to deaden the pain and to "loosen the root." The filling of the cavities is accomplished with great rapidity with a substance like tinfoil.

MIDLAND COUNTIES' CHEMISTS' ASSOCIATION.

A SUPPER in eonnection with this Association was held at the Midland Hotel, Birmingham, on Wednesday evening. The chair was occupied by Mr. W. F. Wyley (President of the Association), and the company included Messrs. A. Southall, Perry, Jones, Arblaster, Spencer, Richards, Prosser, Turvey, Williams, Campion, Chapman, Kneale, Millward, Thonger, Brunt, Crooke, Watkins, Willday, Corfield, Ferriday, Grice, Nicholson, Morris, Fletcher (Coventry), Seampton, Clay, Smallman, Sturdy, F. Gibson, Lovegrove, Phillips, Fildes (Manchester), W. Southall, How, Boucher, Magor, Childs, Myles, J. Balkwell, Hayes, Place, Morris (Walsall), and Alcock and Thompson (hon. secretaries). The toast of "The Queen" having been honoured, Mr. Perry proposed "The Pharmaceutical Society," which, as the representative society of the pharmacists of Great Britain, was entitled, he thought, to receive the hearty support of every loyal pharmacist, especially at the present juncture, seeing that it had under its consideration, or the Council had under its consideration, the drafting of a new Pharmacy Bill. (Hear, hear.) He hoped that that Bill would embody all they could have conceived and wished for in their most sanguine moments. (Applause.) He coupled with the toast the name of Mr. Alfred Southall.

Mr. Southall, in response, said it was not always a very pleasant position to represent a society which was not altogether in harmony with the trade; but he thought they could hardly expect the Pharmaceutical Society to be so. They must remember that one of the duties of that Society was not only to protect chemists, but also to protect the public. (Hear, hear.) He thought pharmacists were a little inclined to forget that that was one of the Society's duties. He wished to remind them that in the Bill they were promoting they were going in for the curriculum, as they always had done, pretty strongly. But in the past they had been beaten in obtaining what they wanted. There might be a few who thought it was not wise to have the curriculum, but he believed the trade generally had now come to think that a little more regular education for their apprentices would be a considerable benefit and a great help in forming classes in districts like their own. (Hear, hear.) They had got plenty of ability as regarded teaching, but they could not get students; apprentices would not study until they were actually obliged to. If they in London could put the obligation a little bit earlier than at present he thought it would be of immense advantage to their apprentices. Three years study was a great deal better than crowding it into a few months. Therefore he hoped that the Bill-especially the curriculum part-would pass fully. The other part was, perhaps, more of a protection for the public. If they could induce all chemists to become members of the Pharmaceutical Society, that organisation would be a great power. At present they were comparatively few; but if they could draw in all chemists and druggists their strength would be almost irresistible. They saw what working men did by being united, and why should not chemists, as professional gentlemen, be united, and work to

attain the object they had in view? (Applause.)
The PRESIDENT proposed success to the Midland Counties Chemists' Association. He said in looking over the lists of presidents of the association for the last twenty years he saw such distinguished names that he found a difficulty in following in their footsteps. Next year was the twenty-first year of the existence of the association, and whereas at one time its income was only 1s. 6d.—(a laugh)—it now amounted to upwards of 20l. (Hear, hear.) He suggested that a dinner should be held next year to celebrate its twenty-first birthday. (Applause.) The association would no doubt last in the future, notwithstanding that it had been asserted by Mr. Richardson, of Leicester, that it had hitherto been a failure. Certainly the attendance of students at the classes, though amply provided for, had been a failure, but that was no doubt to be accounted for by educational centres providing the highest facilities for imparting education. One of the principal objects of the association was to combine the chemists of the Midlands, and that it had succeeded in that object was demonstrated by its list of members. (Hear, hear.) They had lately been trying to obtain a They

grant for the purchase of books from the Pharmaceutical Society, and although up to now they had not succeeded, doubtless they would do so later on. The question of qualified assistants, to his mind, should be settled without much trouble. The means for getting qualified were so easy that no excuse could be made for there being unqualified men in the trade. (Hear, hear.)

The next toast was "Our Guests," proposed by Mr.

Arblaster.

During the evening a clever legerdemain entertainment was given by Mr. S. Pridmore; and amongst other gentlemen who assisted vocally and instrumentally were Messrs. Nicholson, Clay, Thompson, Perry, Alcock, &c The gathering, which was of the most enjoyable kind, broke up at twelve o'clock with the singing of the National Anthem.

EDINBURGII CHEMISTS' ASSISTANTS' AND APPRENTICES' ASSOCIATION.

A^T the meeting of this association held last week, Mr. D. McEwan in the chair, the first paper read was by Mr. John Findlay, on

LIQUID EXTRACT OF CASCARA SAGRADA.

Referring to the official process, the author suggested that more definite directions should be given in regard to the amount of water to be employed. He thought that 6 pints for the first decoction and half an hour's boiling, and 4 pints for each subsequent decoction, would serve.

Employing four waters, the following were the results

obtained :-

			Specific	Extractive
			gravity	per cent.
First decoction	• •	••	1:016	4.1
Second "	• •		1.010	3 4
Third "		••	1.004	3.1
Fourth "		••	1 002	0.9
Finished product		••	1.062	260

An objection to the official process is that on the addition of the spirit a large amount of mucilaginous matter is precipitated, which continues after filtration. Moreover, some are of opinion that the combined action of heat and air is detrimental to the active ingredients, and that the flavour is dissipated during evaporation. On the other hand, it is stated that heat destroys the ferment alleged to be present in the bark and to be the cause of griping. Dealing with these matters practically, the author found it impossible to exhaust the bark with so little water that evaporation was not necessary. The following are the formulæ with which he worked:—

Cascara sagrada, in coarse powder . . . 1 lb.
Rectified spirit 4 fl. oz.
Distilled water a sufficiency

Macerate the bark in 30 oz. of water for forty-eight hours, transfer to a percolator, and continue the percolation with more water until the bark is exhausted, reserving the first 8 oz. Evaporate the remainder to 4 oz.; allow to cool and add the reserved portion, together with 4 oz. of spirit. After standing for twenty-four hours filter if necessary, and make up to 16 ft. oz. with distilled water.

The finished product has a specific gravity of 1.061, and

yields 25 per cent. of dry extractive.

The next method tried was to macerate the bark in a mixture of 4 oz. of rectified spirit and 12 oz. of distilled water for 48 hours. Transfer to a percolator and percolate with distilled water until the bark is exhausted, reserving the first 10 oz. Evaporate the remainder to 5 fluid oz., allow to cool, and add the reserve portion and 1 fluid oz. of rectified spirit. After standing for twenty-four hours filter, if necessary, and make up to 16 fluid oz. with distilled water. The product has a specific gravity of 1 100 and yields 30 per cent. of dry extractive.

The following American formula was also tried, although the author considered the quantity of spirit to be excessive. The bark is, however, very thoroughly exhausted:—

Percolate with mixed menstruum until 10 oz. have passed. Reserve this portion and continue the percolation until exhausted. Evaporate to 4 oz. and add 1 oz. of spirit. The specific gravity of this preparation is 1 050, and yields

30 per cent. of dry extractive.

With regard to the physiological action of these preparations the one prepared by macerating with the mixture of 4 oz. of spirit to 12 oz. of water was found to be the most active. Ten drops taken before breakfast had a decided effect on a person suffering from habitual constipation, and 25 drops acted as a powerful laxative. The one prepared by percolation with water alone is also very active, in fact, almost as much so as the preceding. The author then preceded to mention that he knew of a tasteless extract which he believed was made by adding potash solution to the ordinary extract, and he concluded with some comments on the resins of the bark, his experiments leading to the same conclusions as have been arrived at by Zeig (THE CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST, September 28, 1889).

In a discussion on the paper it was pointed out that it is possible that the resins of the bark may exist in combination with ammonia, so that water would be a good solvent.

Following this, a paper of considerable length on

SEIDLITZ POWDERS

was read by Mr. J. H. Hoseason. In this the author showed (corroborating previous observers) that commercial powders vary much as to weight, and the blue paper powders as to the proportions of their constituents. In some cases Rochelle salt and sodium bicarbonate are present in equal parts nearly, sometimes 2 of the former and 1 of the latter, 3 and 1, &c.—in fact, the results showed an entire want of uniformity, and the author maintained that this could only be got by making scidlitz powders official. He thought an official scidlitz powder should be based on the type of the present small size, and should contain neither sugar nor flavouring. Saccharin would make an ideal sweetener for scidlitz powders. Being soluble in an alkali, care would need to be taken to allow of sufficient alkali being left after neutralisation to keep the saccharin in solution, and give it full scope for its sweetening powers. The formula which the author thought the Pharmacopeia authorities should adopt is the following, which, it will be noted, provides for an excess of acid:—

THE ANNUAL CONVERSAZIONE

was held in the Literary Institute Hall on Friday, Deceber 13, at 8.30 P.M. Mr. A. R. Bennet occupied the chair, and there was a very large attendance, among those present being Messrs. William Gilmour, J. B. Stephenson, W. L. Howie, D. Maclaren, W. Smith, and Thomas Thompson.

The first two hours were devoted to songs, recitations, and instrumental pieces, contributed by Misses Macdonald, Gordon, and Wright, and Messrs. Davidson, Dow, Duncan, Hartley, Hogg, Lunn, Ruthven, Thompson, Waterstone, and Whyte, Mr. J. Ewart acting as accompanist. Under the management of Messrs. R. Butchard and J. H. Hoseason a dance followed, which was taken part in by about 80 couples, and was kept up with great spirit till 4.30 A.M.

The platform was very tastefully decorated with plants kindly lent by James Buchanan, Esq, and Messrs. Duncan, Flockhart & Co., Mackay & Co., Macfarlan & Co., Jas. Robertson & Co., T. and H. Smith & Co., and Baildon & Son sent an ample supply of aërated waters.

WITHIN the past six months a deposit of cinnabar has been discovered in the Ures district of the state of Sonora, North-Western Mexico. These deposits are now being worked, and are reported to be extensive—one yielding 30 per cent. of cinnabar in the ore, while as high as 50 per cent. has been found. This is the first cinnabar worked in Sonora.

HERBARIA.

MR. G. C. DRUCE, M.A., delivered an interesting lecture on Herbaria to the London Chemists' Assistants' Association at their meeting on December 12.

The fact that man is a frugivorous feeder the author considers is the basis of our botanical knowledge and medical science. Oral tradition would carry down the knowledge. and possibly the names of the discoverers, of new foods or the medicinal properties of plants, until at length these names might become venerated as gods, for doubtless intimately mixed up with religion would be the profession of the healing or killing art, and quite early in the history of our race would be the union of priest and physician. Moses appeared to be acquainted with "grass," "herbs," and "trees," but in the grant of vegetables to man for the purpose of food only the two latter are mentioned (Gen. chap. i.), the first being reserved for the beasts of the earth and the fowls of the air and everything that creepeth on the earth. Solomon was celebrated for his knowledge of plants, but all that we are told of this knowledge is that he spoke of them from the cedar of Lebanon to the hyssop on the wall. mistletoe, the vervain, the selago, and tamolus the Druids of Britain attributed efficacies almost divine, and ordained their collection and administration with the most complicated ceremonies. The consecrated mistletoe was an antidote to poisons and prevented sterility. The vervain (probably not the plant now called by that name) was to be gathered at the rising of the Dog Star; it vanquished fevers and other distempers, was an antidote to the bite of serpents, and a charm to conciliate friendship. The selago, now impossible to identify, was not to be touched with the naked hand, nor cut with iron. It was a remedy for diseased eyes, and a charm against misfortune.

The knowledge of the medicinal properties of plants was evidently considered a highly valuable attainment many ages before the plants themselves were made the objects of a distinct science. The balm of Gilead bore a high place in the estimation of the Jews because of its healing power. Considerable hudos was evidently obtained by a knowledge of plant properties in the Heroic age. Homer tells of Patroclus, who stanched the bleeding wound of Eurypylus with the juice of a little root, the virtues of which he had learned from Achilles, and Achilles from Chiron; and we have it said of the wife of one of the heroes whom Nestor boasts of having slain in his youth, "Who knew the virtues of each

earth-born herb."

The writings of Hippocrates, who figures on our diplomas; of Aristotle, whose comprehensive genius left scarcely anything unexplored; of his disciple Theophrastus, the first botanical author whose works have incontestably descended to these times; of Dioscorides, the famous physician; and of Pliny, the warrior and historian, were all commented upon.

The march of science was regulated, after the glory of Greece and Rome had departed, and before the Saxon hierarchy was founded, by the Caliphs of Bagdad and the Moors, the latter in their Universities of Cordofa and Granada keeping alive the vital spark of learning, and shielding through tempestuous days the doctrines of Aristotle, Galen, and Dioscorides.

Here too appear the Arabian philosophers to whom we owe the senna, cassia fistula, manna, tamarinds, and rhubarb, and in the Escurial may still be seen a MS. which was

written by a protégé of Saladin.

In Britain one of the earliest writers after the Conquest was Henry, Archdeacon of Huntingdon, who lived in the reign of Stephen; but it was the invention of printing which quickened the pulse of botanical science by bringing within the grasp of a greater number the knowledge which previously had been the possession of the favoured few.

Eulogising Conrad Gesner, the greatest naturalist the world had seen since the days of Aristotle, and the man eredited with the glory of being the first to divide plants into classes, genera, and species, the author went on to tell of Clusius, to whom we owe the introduction of the cherry-laurel and horse-chestnut; he detailed the ever-varying fortunes of William Turner, "the father of British botany," who, after leaving Cambridge and suffering exile, returned to his native land and filled the respective offices of Prebend

of York, Canon of Windsor, Dean of Wells, and Member of Parliament; and passed in rapid review the labours of Lyte (1578); Lobel (1570)—the name is perpetuated in "Lobelia"; Cæsalpinius, who first distinctly mentions the true difference of sexes in plants; the brothers Bautrin, Pona and Zanoni, Johnson and Parkinson, Rhende, and the contemporary authors of "The Golden Age," Morrison, "the immortal Ray," Rivinus, Tournefort, and some others.

The first practical "Flora of Great Britain" appeared in the "Synopsis" of Ray, published 1690. The lecturer added a more lengthy notice of the labours of Linnæus, and a lucid exposition of his system, and of the binomial nomenclature he introduced, with some appreciative references to the labours of Gleditsch, Crantz, Gaertner, Gmelin, Willdenow, Greseck, Adamson, and a more special tribute of praise to Jussieu

and De Candolle.

In sketching the history of herbaria Mr. Druce first remarked on the uncertainty connected with the origin of the word, and its early application as a book about plants. oldest existing collection he knew of was that of Jean Girault, of Lyons, 1558. He had himself discovered a collection in the Oxford Museum, which he was able to ascribe to a Capuchin friar (1606). In passing Mr. Druce offered some criticisms on the botany of the B.P., and showed that, ably as it was done, there were slips here and there. Under Mentha piperita Smith is given as the author, whereas it was Hudson who first gave the name to the proper plant. It is true that Linnæus used the name M. piperita, but it was an error, as the plant he thus called was only a form of his ; the name thus fell to the ground, and was own "aquatica" available for use by Hudson. There is an earlier authority than Wiggers for *Taraxacum officinale*; and again, under Mentha arvensis, Linnaus, not De Candolle, is the authority; its variety Piperascens should be quoted as of Malins, and its variety glabrata as of Holmes.

The lecturer emphasised the necessity of herbaria for systematic botanists. He believed it to be almost impossible to name with any degree of critical accuracy from descriptions alone the majority of species in our lists. Among the practical suggestions to collectors it was recommended that fugitive colours should be preserved by dipping the petals in a mixture of 3 parts of sulphurous acid and one of methylated spirit; they are bleached at first, but gradually regain their original tints in a permanent form. Bentham's "Flora," Hooker's "Student's Flora," and Babington's "Manual" are all good aids; Bentham's is the easiest to work from, but Hooker and Babington should always be consulted as checks.

The advantage of the study of botany to the pharmacist, especially now that the subject has been excised from the medical curriculum, was insisted up n, though the fear was expressed that the fierce and frantic zeal to add a new hypnotic or some new organic compound with wonderful temperature-reducing power to our groaning shelves will prevent chemists from giving much attention to this the more humble and less showy handmaid of therapeutics.

MARRIAGE.

[Notices of Marriages and Deaths are inserted free if sent with proper authentication.]

BOTWOOD—PARKER.—On December 12, at St. George's, Hanover Square, London, by the Rev. A. H. Watts, Mr. Charles W. Botwood, pharmaceutical chemist of Spital Street, Dartford, to Caroline Lucy, only daughter of Mr. Anselm Parker, of Walsall, Staffordshire.

DEATHS.

CARLTON.—On December 8, at 8 High Street, Horncastle, Edwin Preston Carlton, chemist and druggist. Aged 44.

MacKay.—On December 6, at Edinburgh, James A. MacKay, chemist, late assistant to Mr. Councillor Gamble, chemist, Grantham. Aged 22.

BLACKBOURN.—On December 5, at Southport, Mr. Henry J. Blackbourn, chemist and druggist, of Fue Brook, Liverpool. Aged 45.

FRENCH PHARMACEUTICAL NEWS.

(From our Paris Correspondent.)

THE Moniteur Scientifique is to be, after all, continued by Dr. Quesneville's son Georges, a Fellow of the College of Pharmacy, and the pharmacist-in-chief of the Sainte Anne Asylum.

A SCHOOL OF NAVAL MEDICINE AND PHARMACY is to be established in some locality to be hereafter selected. Marseilles, Montpellier, and Bordeaux are the foremost candidates, and have through their representatives made to the Navy Department offers of sites and buildings for the proposed seat of learning. It is thought that Bordeaux stands the best chance for the choice.

THE ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, on December 10, held their grand annual meeting, and according to custom distributed many prizes and medals. Dr. Moutard-Martin, the same who last summer called the Therapeutic Congress to order, presided, while Dr. Féréol, annual secretary, read the list of prizes, and Dr. Rochard delivered an oration on a deceased member, Dr. Fonssagrives. Dr. Féréol, before proceeding with the roll, remarked that the Academy has a great many prizes to award, and the number keeps always increasing, while competitors are rather backward. In consequence, almost every year several prizes remain unawarded. In fact, they have more laurels than laureates. In the meantime the Academy is poor, and in sad need of rebuilding. Some time since Dr. Demarquay left a bequest of 130,000f. towards the formation of a building fund, and the secretary hoped future benefactors would follow his example. Dr. Rochard paid a warm tribute to Dr. Fonssagrives, his former colleague in the navy service, who is chiefly known for his works on hygiene, now translated into various foreign languages and accepted as standard authorities. It may here be noted that a seat near the desk was occupied by one of Dr. Fonssagrives' sons, who is a chaplain in the navy, and he was accompanied by two other priests and a bishop—a rather unusual occurrence at an academy of medicine sitting. Among the prizes interesting to pharmacists may be mentioned:-The Henri Buignet prize (1,500f.), taken by Professor Imbert, of the Montpellier College of Pharmacy, for a work on the anomalies of vision; the Desportes (800f.) awarded to pharmacist Dupuy, of Mauriac, for researches on alkaloids, and 500f. to Drs. De Beurmann and Villejean, of Paris, for their work on hypodermic injections of quinine. Silver medals were given to Dr. Fonsart, of the army, and pharmacist Ehrmann, for their researches on scarlet fever, made during an epidemic in a regiment at Saint Quentin. The other rewards and distinctions fell to physicians.

GERMAN PHARMACEUTICAL NEWS.

(From our Berlin Correspondent.)

DIURETIN—theobromine - sodium - salicylate — the latest new remedy, is recommended as a diuretic, given three or four times a day in 15-grain doses. It is a white powder, soluble in less than half its weight of water.

GERMAN DENTISTS.—Germany, with a population of over 47,000,000, has only 514 dentists; only those who get through a special university course and a severe examination may call themselves by that title. There are, of course, drawers of teeth in plenty, and they mostly do a good trade.

THE INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC.—Among the remedies in use for this affection antipyrin and antifebrin have been perhaps the most popular in Berlin. Some practitioners claim to have discovered the influenza bacillus—at least, they say they have found a bacillus in the nose of influenza patients which the ordinary nose knows not.

TREATMENT OF FROSTBITE.—Professor Liebreich gives several formulæ for this in his paper. He recommends particularly a lotion composed of alum and borax aa. 3iss., dissolve1 in 10 oz. of water, and 3ss. tinct. benzoin added. He also recommends ointments of 1 oz. of fat or 45 grains of camphor oil with 1 oz. of ung. lanolini.

ADDITIONS TO THE PHARMACOPŒIA.—The committee of the German Apotheker Verein has consulted its members with regard to the unofficial remedies to be included in the supplement to the Pharmacopœia. A list containing about 2,300 substances is sent to each member, and he is asked to tick off in blue such novelties as he thinks worthy of being included. This should satisfy the most earnest advocate of the democratic system.

SOMNAL is having a "struggle for life," and is attacked in several quarters. Professor Liebreich sits very heavily on it in this week's *Therap. Monatsch.*, describing it as of indefinite composition, and an unknown mixture, and says it is strange that medical men, taken in by its seductive name, should prescribe a mixture of chloral hydrate with some unknown substance, and thus encourage secret remedies.

AMMONIUM PICRATE.—In the same journal Dr. Schellong reports on ammonium picrate in malarial fever. Ile finds the remedy of practically no effect, though he prescribed doses of $\frac{1}{2}$ grain, and in no way comparable to quinine. This is a very different conclusion from that of Dr. Clark, published in the Laneet of February, 1887, who had only 9 failures out of 5,000 cases treated with the above compound. Dr. Schellong disapproves also of Warburg's tincture, after trying it in several cases, and says it also should not be used when quinine is at hand.

PHARMACY IN INDIA.

SULPHONAL AND PHENACETIN are advertised in the daily papers here by F. Bayer & Co., of Elberfeld.

THE Government of Bombay has established a chair of pharmacology in the Bombay University. The first professor is Dr. Bahardarjee, a Parsee.

FIRE.—On November 11 Fort Bombay was the scene of a gigantic fire, which destroyed property to the value of 1,700,000r. Amongst those who were burnt out were Cowasji Brothers, D. P. Bathat & Co., and Mr. H. F. Soares. The last-named gentleman, who is the Bombay representative for Craig, Baldry & Co, barely escaped the flames; he lost his entire property, valued at 7,000r., which was uninsured.

FOR THOSE IN BUSINESS.—Our correspondent, writing in regard to trade in the Central Provinces, states that there is room for a good chemist at Mhow, Central India, close to Indore. He is sure that there is a large fortune awaiting any chemist who will open there.

FOR ASSISTANTS.—There is not a fortune, however, in situations with 100 rupees a month. Such a salary as this is totally insufficient for the ordinary requirements in India. The best posts are to be had in Calcutta and Bombay; in the interior salaries are not so high, but then living is cheaper, and there are not so many facilities for spending money. Madras pays its assistants worst of all; 200 rupees a month is little enough to go out for.

SANDAL WOOD. — The Inspector General of Forests announces that the annual auction sales of sandal wood, being the produce of the province of Mysore, will be held between November 11 and December 19. The following are the quantities offered:—

						Tons
From	the Shimoga	district	• •		• •	770
,,	Kadur	**	• •	• •		200
٠,	Hassan	"	• •	• •	••	300
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57	Banga'or	re	••		• •	150
		Grand to	otal			2,420

PERSONALITIES.—Mr. Fiske, representing Messrs. Parke, Davis & Co, of Detroit, is expected here shortly.—Mr. Taylor, of Messrs. Thomson & Taylor, Bombay, has taken a holiday at the hill station, Matheran.—Mr. E. Beynon (Phillips & Co. Lim.) went to Ootacamund for a short rest. Mr. Highmoor, of the same firm, having left for Australia, has been succeeded by Mr. F. B. Stewart, lately manager to

Cooper, Madon & Co. (Lim.).—Messrs. Merton, representing several Parisian houses, have arrived at Bombay. The elder Mr. Merton introduced French coated pills into India the last time he was out.—Mr. W. A. Thurman, representing Messrs. Lynch & Co. and others, has arrived.—Mr. Charles W. White (representing several English houses) has returned to Bombay from a trip through Nagpore, Indore, and the Central Provinces. He is the first drug traveller who has gone to that district.

CANADIAN NOTES.

THE druggists in the Niagara district have formed an association.

THE Toronto druggists are within an ace of agreeing to uniform prices as set forth in a price-list.

 Λ NEW drug store has been opened at Acton, Ont., by Messrs. J. V. Kannawin & Co.

FAILURES are somewhat common amongst small druggists in Ontario at present.

Mr. W. O. FOSTER, of St. Thomas, is the president of a new druggists' association, the "Middlesex." It meets at London, Ont.

Mr. J. J. Bannon has bought the business at Norwich, Ont., belonging to Mr. J. A. Tidey, who retires after thirty-five years' hard work in it. Mr. Bannon was his principal man.

As so many druggists have been prosecuted for the sale of liquor, a movement is on foot to get some legislative protection for them. Meanwhile, the druggists of Toronto have agreed to sell only when the liquors are ordered in writing by regularly qualified physicians.

THE Montreal College of Pharmacy is on the outlook for a new building, and they are likely to get what they want in St. Catherine Street. They would like to spend \$10,000 in fitting it up as a school and meeting-place, and are now appealing for funds. They have been promised about \$4,000.

The Canadian Customs officials have recently decided that Murray's fluid magnesia will pay 50 per cent., and turmeric and sodium sulphate 20 per cent., duty. By the time these commodities get into the hands of the consumers the taxes will have become about double; but the Government will only have got its 50 and 20 per cent., all the same.

Manitoba has a pharmaceutical association of its own, and its own pharmacy law. It recognises the certificates of the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, following in this respect the regulation of the Ontario College, under which holders of such certificates are registered without examination. An effort is being made just now to get the Montreal and Ontario Colleges to accept each other's diplomas.

A MAN named McDonald has been arrested in St. Johns, N.B., on a charge of being concerned in the death of Mrs. McRae, the wife of a clergyman. It is alleged that Mrs. McRae's death was caused by strychnine contained in some sweetmeats. These sweetmeats were, it is stated, sent in a box similar to those used in Barker's drug establishment, to which McDonald had access; and it is stated further that he had been seen in the room where the strychnine was kept.

THE SALE OF LIQUOR.—An inspector, assisted by two women and a man, have been making havoc with the druggists of Toronto, having discovered fully sixty cases of illegal liquor-selling; about half of the accused have been brought to trial, and they pleaded guilty so as to have the cases settled with as little publicity as possible. In many of the cases the sellers undoubtedly supplied the liquor in what appeared to be cases of extreme necessity, and there is a good deal of grumbling about the \$20 fines and expenses indefinite.

Who is the Seller?—The prosecution at Beverton, Ontario, recently of the daughter of an unqualified person for Bigelow, and Stephen Farringdon Smart.

the sale of poison (pink root) during her father's absence resulted in the defendant being find \$20 and costs; thus agreeing with the decisions which have been given in English Courts. This is the first time it has been decided in Ontario that the assistant who sells the poison is responsible, and it is pointed out that if the principle is legally correct, it can be applied in cases of druggists' mistakes, non-registration of poisons, and the like, when the assistant can be held directly responsible to the law.

TORONTO DISPENSING CHARGES.—The Druggists' Association have at last agreed upon the prices which are to be taken as minima. The following are examples of the charges for mixtures:—

l oz.		. 20 cents	1 6 oz.		50 cents
2 "		. 25 "	8 ,,		60 ,,
3 ,,	•	. 35 ,,	12 "		75 "
4		. 40	1 16		\$1

The way in which the price is to be marked on prescriptions is to put down five times the charge and mark x. s. below it; thus for the 2-oz. mixture $\frac{125}{x}$

NEW COMPANIES.

HORACE C. LEWIS & Co. (LIMITED).—Capital, 2,000l. in 1l. shares. Object, to acquire the business of Horace Charles Lewis, of 29 Ranelegh Street, Liverpool, photographic dealer.

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W. H. & F. J. HORNIMAN & Co. (LIMITED).—Capital, 250,000l., in 4,000 preference shares of 25l., and 3,000 ordinary shares of 50l. each. Object, to acquire the business carried on at Wormwood Street, E.C., under the style of "W. H. & F. J. Horniman & Co.," tea dealers and merchants. The first subscribers (one ordinary share each) are :—F. J. Horniman, 29–33Wormwood Street, E.C.; W. Figg, 38 Mincing Lane, E.C.; G. W. Potter, M.D., 8 King Street, Cheapside; J. W. Jones, Sussex House, Hornsey Rise; J. T. Livermore, 36 Fairholt Road, N.: F. H. Stollery, Norfolk House, Clapton; and A. Scarr, 55 Varley Road, N. The first directors are F. J. Horniman, E. J. Horniman, J. R. Manning, and L. R. S. Walcott. F. J. Horniman is appointed chairman.

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Trade Rotes.

"WATTS' INORGANIC CHEMISTRY" used to be 9s.; it is now 8s. 6d., the publishers inform us.

MESSRS. ARMBRECHT, NELSON & Co., of 2 Duke Street, Grosvenor Square, W., are issuing a series of highly artistic card almanacs, which are worth the attention of ehemists at this season.

MESSRS. BURROUGHS, WELLCOME & Co. will open their offices and warehouses at Snow Hill Buildings for a short time on Friday and Saturday morning, December 27 and 28, for the execution of urgent orders.

A CONTRAST.—We are receiving many compliments about THE CHEMISTS' AND DRUGGISTS' DIARY, 1890, one of the prettiest being, "It is the best you have yet had—worth any number of Curriculum Bills."

WE have received one of 20,000 Medical Dictionaries which Mr. H. E. Cullwick, of Wolverhampton, is issuing just now. "Cut prices" are a feature, in it.—We have also received a well-written Medical Guide and Price-list from Mr. George Coverdale, Parliament Street, York, which ought to promote business.—Mr. Sydney Webb, 69 South Clerk Street, Edinburgh, sends us a very neatly produced List of Medicinal and Toilet Preparations, sixteen pages, square envelope size.

Fresh Peel.—Messrs. Charles Southwell & Co., of Doekhead, S.E., have done a distinct service to the drug trade by introducing fresh lemon and fresh bitter-orange peel, cut into regular shreds $\frac{n}{4}$ inch long by $\frac{1}{16}$ inch broad. These peels are practically a by-product in the firm's works, so that they are able to offer them at a very moderate figure. Samples of the peel which we have examined are of excellent quality, and are remarkably free from the inner inert and odourless cortical portion. The makers tell us that in London delivery can be effected the same day, or the day after, it is cut; and as it is usually made in stone jars, containing about 6 lbs., it can be sent to the country with full assurance that it will be delivered in good condition, as it is perfectly sound four days after being cut. This is a line which is well worth the attention of those interested.

Personalities.

MR. PARNELL was the guest of Mr. Edward Evans, the wholesale druggist, of Liverpool, on the oceasion of his visit to that city on Thursday of this week.

Mr. S. F. Stoll, a prominent druggist of Atehison, Kansas, has recently married Sadie, the second daughter of Mr. J. P. Brown, the millionaire.

Mr. W. Wood, chemist, Pontypool, has taken into partnership his nephew, Mr. Godfrey C. Wood. The business will be conducted under the style of W. & G. C. Wood.

Mr. T. D. Wright, 26 Chapel Street, Southport, having accepted the post of technical chemist to Messrs. Holme & Co., Laneaster, has disposed of his business to Mr. F. J. Smith, chemist, of the same town.

"LEAVES FROM THE MENTAL TREE" is the title of a book of poems published by Mr. George V. Owen, the son of a Handsworth chemist. The author is only in his teens, but is known as a somewhat prolific writer of poems.

Mr. E. N. Butt has returned from a visit to the United States and Canada. He did not trouble pharmaeists much, but we are told that the few who met him "were most agreeably impressed with his charming society and extensive range of pharmaceutical experience."

MRS. FRED REYNOLDS, of Leeds, whose name and address indicate at once an association with pharmacy, has written and illustrated a very pleasing short tale for children to read during their holidays. It is entitled "Little Prince Frisco," and describes that young gentleman's trip into Holiday-land and the uncanny mortals he had to encounter on his way. The book is published at 2s. by Messrs. McCorquodale & Co. (Limited), London and Leeds.

RIVALRIES IN THE PETROLEUM TRADE.

THE petroleum trade of this country, says the Pall Mall Gazette, has been for some time in a transition state. For some years American petroleum oil had the monopoly of the English market, the native article distilled from shale having been beaten out of the field. A fresh transformation was, however, effected when Russian oil came into competition with the American. Until quite recent times petroleum was transported in barrels, and that handicapped the Russians, as they were witbout wood, and had first to import their barrels from America or elsewhere. By means of tank steamers, however, they were enabled to land the oil in this country at much less cost, and to compete on favourable terms. But they did not stop there. American refiners had never troubled themselves with the disposal of the oil to the consumers, but rid themselves of all responsibility as soon as it was shipped at their ports. The Russians, on the other hand, appointed agents up and down the country, and made it worth their while to push the sale of their oil, with the result that they soon had a firm hold of the English market. As their business grew the American decreased, until they had secured about onehalf of the whole.

The American refiners were naturally alarmed at thus being gradually ousted, and considered how they might retain their hold. The economy in the transport effected by tank steamers was so great that they saw that the barrel system could not stand against it. The merebants here who aeted as distributing agents were not in a position to build and equip vessels of their own, and the Standard Oil Company of America, which controls the trade on the other side, eame to the conclusion that they must undertake the work of distribution as well as production. The Anglo-American Company was accordingly organised, and two tank steamers of 4,000 tons each were built, and stores were erected at Purfleet and Birkenhead. This, of course, meant the elimination of the English merehants who bad hitherto earried on the trade, and especially so when the Anglo-American Company announced that they would offer no better terms to the large than the small buyer. All were welcome to come and buy at the same price. In short, they have made it very clear that they want no middlemen, and that their policy is to get the producer and consumer into direct contact, so that they may be able more effectually to compete with their Russian rivals. Several of the old firms have been appointed agents, but with these exceptions the English merchants have been put aside. Their grievance is that, after devoting years to the American business, they should receive no consideration at the hands of the American refiners; while, on the other hand, the latter excuse themselves on the ground of the exigencies of the trade.

To the public the new developments are all in their favour. Illuminating oil has never been so cheap as at present, while the direct connection between refiner and consumer, in the case of both the Russian and American articles, has tended to raise the quality and make it more even. It is to their interest to see that there is no mixture with inferior oils, which might, and no doubt did, occur, when several persons intervened. Quality in an illuminating oil is obviously of great importance, although it is well to remember that the construction of the lamp in which it is burned is also of vital moment. Indeed the experiments of Sir Frederick Abel and Mr. Boverton Redwood show that an oil of a comparatively low firing-point can be burned with safety if the lamp is properly constructed, while an oil of even a high firing-point is dangerous when the lamp is bad. If not properly constructed no oil is safe.

The importation of petroleum has enormously increased of late, as the following figures from the Board of Trade returns show:—

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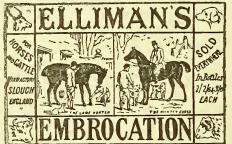
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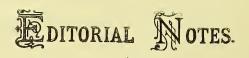
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IRISH PHARMACY.

THE Council of the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland have referred to a committee for consideration a report which appeared in this journal on November 9, of an interview between a number of representative druggists and the Irish Solicitor-General. And the reference is quite a wise one. Ostensibly the object is to inquire into certain historical statements which appear to have been made at that interview, but we should suppose that the absolute accuracy of what was said, or of our report of what was said, is a matter

of secondary importance. The facts that the Irish druggists are going for their Bill in the next Session of Parliament, that they have got the ear of a prominent member of the Government, and that they are united in their demand for the pound of flesh already offered to them are of considerable moment, and Mr. Wells was correct in saying that to pass over them would look as if they were indifferent to the interests of their licentiates. We have fairly good reason to state, besides, that, if the Irish druggists think proper to proceed in the direction in which they have started, they will not be without some influential support from within the Pharmaceutical Society. It must be admitted that those who advocated the "no surrender" policy on the Council have been fairly well justified by results. They have drummed a large affluence of pharmaceutical chemists into membership, and they have staved off for a time the almost inevitable substitution of a new Pharmacy Act for the comparatively valueless one they at present possess. They have had, and still have, the opportunity of ensuring by some little immediate sacrifice the incorporation of the entire drug trade of Ireland into one body possessing substantial power and able to accomplish real work. They would still retain the best seats at the banquet and the chief control in the direction of affairs. It will be for their committee to consider whether it can be advisable to reject this opportunity for the sentimental, but shadowy satisfaction of continuing to officially ignore their hated, but not the less existing,

OFFICIAL STANDARDS FOR CON-CENTRATED INFUSIONS WANTED.

A SHORT paper published in this issue on "Concentrated Infusion of Senega," which was read at the Liverpool Chemists' Association last week, is both seasonable and opportune in view of the early publication of an addendum to the British Pharmacopæia. It has so long been stated that the officialising of concentrated infusions is a debatcable point that it would seem that we make no progress whatever in this department of pharmacy; but in the employment of these preparations we certainly do make progress. Mr. Buck says—and we have no reason for supposing that he exaggerates the facts—that "almost every medical man who dispenses his own prescriptions and perhaps four-fifths of the chemists make their infusions" from the concentrated preparations. It would also appear that those who still conform to the older method of preparing the infusions fresh as required are occasionally forced by exigencies of time to subjugate their sentiment to what is most practicable in the circumstances, and so employ the concentrations.

We quite sympathise with those of the latter class, for as the matter at present stands they have the best of the logic of the case. Fresh infusions are pharmacopæial, concentrated infusions are not, and legal requirements compel the use of the former when ordered in physicians' prescriptions. Moreover, it happens that the commercial concentrations are very variable in nature, and many do not when diluted furnish preparations at all resembling in appearance those which they are intended to represent. However much this may be regretted, it is exactly what happens with all preparations for which there is no recognised standard, and experience shows that uniformity can only be ensured by setting up such standards. We ask for official formulæ for concentrated infusions because these preparations are used by the large majority of dispensers, medical and pharmaceutical; because the commercial preparations are of very variable character; because the published data in regard to the manufacture of reliable concentrations are sufficient for pharmacopecial purposes, and because the modifications made in the 1885 formulæ for fresh infusions have failed to secure greater popularity for these preparations.

It may be that the compilers of the British Pharmacopæia share the opinion that fresh infusions are superior to diluted concentrations, but we submit that the latter present so many desirable features that they have obtained a permanent place in medicine, and it is the duty of the Pharmacopæia compilers to accept the logic of facts, and, by creating official standards, remove any evils which may exist in the custom.

DRUG AUCTIONS IN PARIS.

PERIODICAL drug auctions have been held in London for generations, and there is not at present any prospect of their discontinuance, though occasionally voices are heard in advocacy of their less frequent occurrence. We should be disposed to think that no small part of the pre-eminence of our port as a centre for the drug trade is due to these auctions, and that the publicity which attends all transactions at the sales is of immeasurable service in attracting shipments of drugs from all parts of the world to London warehouses. The only other markets, so far as we are aware, where public auctions of drugs and goods of similar character are now held at fixed intervals are Amsterdam and Rotterdam, and the transactions in these cities are confined to varnish gums, and cinchona. But the extension of steamship communication, the striving of Continental nations for colonial acquisitions, the extraordinary growth of the industrial importance of Germany and the United States, and a variety of other causes have called into existence during the last twenty years a number of drug markets of some importance where there is a disposition to look upon London with something like jealousy. These markets are still forced to follow our lead, and probably will continue to be so for many years; and both New York and Hamburgour principal competitors, are at the same time among our best customers for raw drugs. But as the great Continental States grow in commercial importance, and their inhabitants advance in purchasing power, we must be prepared to see them gradually emancipate themselves from our leadership, and get ready for the time when we shall have to look upon them as competitors in the less developed markets of the world, rather than as customers of ours. To a large extent these conditions already prevail in manufactured goods, and presently the same will be the case with raw or partly manufactured articles, such as the drugs which pass through the London auctions.

It is therefore a matter of surprise that no serious attemptshould ever have been made to copy our drug auctions in such places as Hamburg, Havre, Marseilles, or New York. From time to time rumours have arisen that steps in this direction were about to be taken, but no definite results have followed. The fact that London is the only market where foreign shippers can put the actual value of goods to the reliable test of open competition explains, probably. why a large number of goods shipped from Chinese and Indian ports to Hamburg, by the new German mail-routes, are regularly trans-shipped hither to be sold by public auction. But the first indication in this direction comes from neither Germany nor America. We understand that a determined attempt toestablish public auctions for drugs is now about to be made in Paris. In that city there have been hitherto occasional drug sales under the auspices of three or four brokers and agents, some of whom were formerly rather intimately connected with the London market. But these auctions consisted generally of goods seized under judicial warrants,

or which had otherwise to be disposed of, and not drug auctions in the London sense. We have at this moment before us a catalogue of such a "vente judiciaire" which took place at the Magasins du Chateau-d'Eau last Saturday, when about 11 tons of Senegal and Aden Arabic gums, two cases soap, two boxes aniline black, and a quantity of other goods were offered for sale. Another, and larger, sale of drugs, the stock of a firm whose business had been liquidated, took place a few days previously, and it is said that the excellent prices realised on that occasion have given a strong stimulus to the party who favour regular drug auctions on the London system. It is claimed by that party that public auctions would considerably curtail the charges on drugs now falling upon importers, who would then be able to dispense with private warehouses and sell goods direct from the docks or entrepôt. On the other hand, information we have collected from the wholesale trade in Paris shows that in their body, as distinguished from the brokers and certain agents, the public auction scheme does not meet with much enthusiasm. One firm gave it as their opinion that the plan would probably be successful if the Hâvre importers could be induced to support it, but on the whole it seems likely that the Parisian wholesalers are scarcely the people from whom much assistance can be

Another imitation of British customs has, however, been recently adopted by the Parisian wholesale druggists. They now meet on 'Change three times a week, on Mondays, Wedmesdays, and Fridays, from 2.30 to 3.30 P.M., at the new Bourse du Commerce in the Rue du Louvre, which is in close proximity to the centre of the drug quarter. This innovation is due to the efforts of the same brokers who are prominent in the public auction agitation, and we are informed that the wholesale trade have taken to this scheme with much more enthusiasm than they displayed towards its sister project, and that the majority are heartily supporting the Bourse meetings. That their customers will hail the scheme with satisfaction cannot be doubted by anyone who has had experience of the inaccessibility of the Parisian wholesalers, and of their tendency to make their would-be purveyors cool their heels in an antechamber for hours in anticipation of being ushered into the presence of the principal.

INDIAN GUMS.

AT last month's evening meeting of the Pharmaceutical Society Mr. J. H. Maiden, of the Technological Museum, Sydney, communicated a paper on the "Similarities and Dissimilarities of Sterculia Gum to Tragacanth." Maiden, who has done so much good work in elucidating the economic products of Australia, is to be commended for taking up a subject of such general and chemical interest. He showed in his paper how gums produced, or said to be produced, by plants of totally different natural orders are very similar in appearance, and instanced those of Cochlospermum Gossypium and Stereulia urens as being so much alike that upon mixing pieces of both he found it difficult or impossible to separate them. These facts point to a very important matter that frequently exercises the minds of those who have charge of collections of gums, resins, and similar produce, namely, the doubt that frequently attaches to the accuracy of the names of products that are sent from abroad unaccompanied by actual specimens of the plants themselves. We take this opportunity, therefore, of impressing upon the minds of collectors of forest products the absolute necessity of collecting also, and at the same time and place when possible, samples of the leaves, flowers,

and fruits of the plant furnishing the gum, resin, or what not. Of course, we are not forgetful that a large number of the specimens sent to our museums are procured from the natives or obtained from bazaars, and not direct from the living plants, and it is to this fact that many mistakes arise in the proper determination of the several products, whether drugs or otherwise.

In connection with this subject, and bearing some relation to that taken up by Mr. Maiden, we may refer to some few gums of Indian origin that bear some resemblance in substance, though not in appearance, to the tragacanth-like series. Thus, under the name of "Mochras" or "Mocherus," several dark-coloured but transparent gums are known in India; that generally going by this name, however, is usually ascribed to Bombax malabaricum, a large tree belonging to the tribe Bombaceæ of the natural order Malvaceæ. It seems that no amount of tapping or notching, or even cutting deeply into the bark or sapwood, will produce the smallest exudation of any gum or mucilage; but when the bark is diseased a sort of jelly flows abundantly in spring as the sap rises. From observations made in India of a large living bombax tree, a part of the trunk of which was swollen from disease and the bark split and decayed, a yellowish jelly-like substance had exuded from all the wounds, described as being "sometimes like a mere tube of paint squeezed out of an oil-colour tube, and at others forming a mass of the size of a large tomato." On exposure to the air the outside of this mass soon hardens, after turning brown, and the whole mass then dries up and collapses, or, rather, shrivels into an irregular, wrinkled, and hollowed lump, of a dull brown colour and brittle, but somewhat mucilaginous if softened in the mouth. Fresh "Mocherus" from this tree, when put in either hot or cold water, was found to soften and swell and to disintegrate, though it was not absolutely soluble. Upon chemical examination it was found to contain a certain, though not a large, amount of a modification of tannic acid and a red colouring matter, which was destroyed by acid and restored by alkali. The drug is used in India as an astringent and for various mucous derangements, in menorrhagia, and as a styptic.

A very similar or identical gum is said to be derived, in some parts of India, from the areca or betel palm (Arcca Catechu), while in Lahore "Mocherus" is declared to be produced by the Sohájna tree (Moringa pterygosperma), a leguminous tree 30 feet to 35 feet high, and known to Europeans as the horse-radish tree, in consequence of the root having a pungent taste, and being used as a substitute for that condiment. The gum from this tree, though its exterior appearance is not very dissimilar to that just described, shows upon fracture a dark rose colour, with a very waxy appearance. It varies, however, "in colour from a red to a semi-opaque pink to almost white"; and in form from irregularly-rounded tears to longish stalactitic pieces. Though hard and brittle, it softens and swells in the mouth; and placed in water forms a firm jelly. The gum which most nearly approaches this is that produced by Eriodendron anfractuosum, a widely-distributed Indian tree growing some 50 feet or 60 feet high, closely allied to Bombax malabaricum, and sometimes known as the cotton tree, in consequence of the fruits being filled with a mass of silky cotton, in which the seeds are embedded. It has been stated that gum kuteera, which is now referred to species of Stereulia, is the product of Eriodendron; but this would seem to be a mistake. Anyhow, the gum received from India as the produce of E. anfractuosum is of a dark reddish colour, transparent, and swelling in the mouth in the same way as the gum of Moringa.

From Stereospermum ehelonoides, a tree found throughout

the moister parts of India, and belonging to the natural orde Bignoniaceæ, a red-coloured gum exudes not unlike those previously referred to. It is, however, of a brighter fracture. Little seems to be known about it. Another deep red gum, externally very dark and opaque, and only partially soluble in water, is said to be furnished by Ailanthus malabarica. It occurs in rather large roundish tears, and is said to be sometimes used in India as a remedy in dyspepsia. Dymock says:-" It yields a fragrant resin known as Muttee pal on the Annamallays, which may become valuable as an article of trade. Reduced to powder, mixed with milk and strained, this resin is given in small doses in dysentery and bronchitis, and is reputed to be an excellent remedy, owing to its balsamic properties." Mr. Broughton, sometime Government Quinologist, describes it as dark brown or grey, plastic, opaque, and with an agreeable smell. It is often very impure; but the pure resin is soft, of the consistence of thick treacle. When burnt, it gives off a fragrance, and hence it is sometimes used for incense. The perfume is, however, inferior to those resins usually used for this purpose. The tree belongs to the natural order Simarubeæ.

Drury, in his "Useful Plants of India," states that *Macaranga indica*, a euphorbiaceous tree very common in Travancore, exudes a gum resin from the cut branches and base of the petioles. He describes it of a light crimson colour, and says that it "has been used for taking impressions of leaves, coins, medallions, &c. When the gum is pure and carefully prepared the impressions are as sharp as those of sulphur, without its brittleness. Powdered, and made into a paste, it is reckoned a good external application in venereal sores."

It will be seen from the foregoing remarks that trees of very distinct natural orders are credited with furnishing gums of very similar characters. Much confusion, however, no doubt exists as to the accurate identification of the sources of some of these gums, and this is but one question out of many connected with vegetable products that requires to be thoroughly worked out by some qualified person or persons resident in the districts where the plants grow.

COMMENTARY.

THE SALE OF TEA BY CHEMISTS.—The Grocer of last Saturday has an editorial in quite a Jingo strain in respect of our innocent article in the DIARY on "The Tea Trade." It is described as "an ambitious attempt to instruct chemists how they may not only sell blended teas, but also blend for themselves." It appears that grocers "devote years of hard work" to the study of this art (or is it a science?) of blending teas, "and find, even then, that their knowledge comes none too easily." We really did not know that our grocerial friends were such a dull lot-" Years of hard work" to learn how to mix equal parts of Assam Pekoe and Ceylon Pekoe, and scarcely get to understand the business when the severe strain of the study has made their heads bald! And now chemists and druggists can learn all about it in half an hour. It is indeed a revelation. And what a testimonial, too, to the quality of our DIARY! For the "organ of the trade" has evidently been through the article with Sam Weller's double-million-power magnifyingglass, and does not record the discovery of the shade of an error. And then the gentle Grocer man—who must be a new hand-proceeds to advise his readers to restore the balance by selling patent medicines. His own paper has been giving more or less accurate advice on that subject for years; and now he has discovered the opening. Verily it does take a mind, as Hosea Biglow says, "as big as all out-doors, To make out it looks like raining, After once it fairly pours."

OUR KIN BEYOND THE SEAS .- We always felt a kindly disposition towards the Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter, but during the last three or four years we have watched its course with feelings of positive affection. Our contemporary is published in New York, and when its exchange copy reaches us, and we peruse its pages, it feels so like an intellectual communion with the copy of our own journal which crossed the broad Atlantic four weeks previously, to yield its young life to the capacious scissors of the Reporter's subeditorial staff. Not that the Reporter resembles our own departed one in outward shape. Nothing of the kind. Instead of a well-filled body, decently clad in a neat garb of yellow, it presents a lanky and smudged appearance, and the coat of its advertisements hangs in tattered shreds over the attenuated bones of its literary contents. But when we cut it up we are certain to find its pouch crammed with the undigested body of our own offspring. The quantity of CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST which we recovered from this wcek's Reporter measured 124 inches in length, though we must say that our contemporary always returns grace for its meal in the shape of ample acknowledgment. We have tried to calculate how many times the accumulated meals which our friend has taken off THE CHEMIST AND DRUG-GIST, if pasted together, would stretch from Cannon Street to New York and back again, but we had to give it up. There is a grim joke that at the time of the American War of Secession a Southern journal sneered at its Northern foes by insinuating that their dead bodies left on the battlefield were turned to useful account by manufacturing tallow candles out of them. The other side promptly admitted their disadvantage in that respect, explaining that the Southern bodies were too ill-developed to be of any use at all. This is precisely the reason which prevents us from taking an occasional meal off our dear friend from New

THE DISTRIBUTION OF CARBOLIC ACID.—The following is clipped from a cash price-list issued by "The Hayward's Heath Agency of the Sussex Co-operative Drug Company (Limited)":—

Carbolic Acid-

There is nothing at all illegal in sales thus made. The Privy Council have refused to recognise the poisonous character of carbolic acid, and though some forcible arguments—corpses and that sort—could be produced in opposition to the opinion, "The Hayward's Heath Agency of the Sussex Co-operative Drug Company (Limited)" is still at liberty to consider that champagne bottles are the most suitable vessels in which to supply this popular beverage.

ANTI-CUTTING.—The Association of Manufacturers and Dealers in Proprietary Medicines in the United States is a flourishing institution. Last year it is represented to have done business to the extent of \$20,000,000, and to have spent half of that on advertising. The association is opposed to cutting, and does not supply those who do cut.

THE INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC.—A Vienna medical correspondent says there are three varieties of this fever:—(1) The

symptoms are purely nervous, such as headache, pains in the limbs, and neuralgic pains in trunk, as in pleuritis. The respiration and pulmonary mucous membrane normal, as well as alimentary canal. This form is the most common, and has on many occasions been diagnosed as typhoid. (2) The catarrhal form: bronchial catarrh, sneezing, continuing several days after the fever subsides. (3) Gastric: catarrh of the alimentary tract with persistent vomiting. Besides these a great number of other symptoms are common to all, viz, giddiness, hyperæsthesia, &c., which soon disappear. The temperature rises rapidly to 104° to 105° F.; continues at this about two days, and rapidly falls. The duration of the fever is usually three days; seldom five or six. The incubation period is two days. Very little alteration of the spleen is observed. Quinine has proved to be the best remedy, and there has been quite a run upon it in Vienna.

THE HALF-PRICE CLOSED LETTER COMPANY (LIMITED). We have had several letters from correspondents who have agreed to act as agents for this company, and who complain that they are not able to get stocked with the stamped envelopes for sale. In reply to a request for further information which we made last week, we have received other letters, not all expressing dissatisfaction. We have also made inquiries at the office of the company, where, it is fair to say, information has been given to us as frankly as we could have expected. We have ascertained beyond doubt that the business carried on is unquestionably a bona-fide one. But some chemists who have agreed to take the agency have been supplied with envelopes, and others have not yet been able to get any stock. The explanation of this is that the envelopes can only be sold at a profit with a sufficient supply of advertisements. The company naturally give preference to those agents who assist them in getting advertising business, though they hope in good time to supply others as well. The company show us the account of one chemist in a moderate-sized town in the Midlands, who has got for them 271. 10s. worth of local advertisements, his commission out of this item alone amounting to between 4l. and 5l. Of course we cannot tell whether the company is doing a profitable business or not. Its ultimate success, it is obvious, will depend largely on the work of its agents

Salicylic Acid.—We hear from one source that there has been an increased demand of late in the metropolitan district for natural salicylic acid and the sodium salt prepared from it; strange to say, this demand does not appear to be universal, for one leading firm who have dealings with the best pharmacists in the three kingdoms have recently sold 7 lbs. natural salicylic acid and 15 lbs. natural sodium salicylate in the same time that $2\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. of Kolbe acid and 8 cwt. Kolbe sodium salt were sold. It would be interesting to learn if the dialysed acid and its sodium salt are much used, and if they differ from the natural in action.

CORRECT SCALES.—The Weights and Measures Act of 1889, which will come into operation on January 1, requires among other things that all weighing instruments for use in trade, from the weighbridge to the dispensing scales, and probably to analytical and assay balances, for it may be held that these are used in trade, shall be verified and stamped within the then following twelve months. Traders using unstamped scales of any kind after January 1, 1890, will be liable to a penalty not exceeding 2l., for a second offence of 5l., and in cases of fraud to imprisonment, and, if the Court thinks fit to order, to special publication of the conviction. Inspectors are to be examined as to their fitness for their duties, and the tariff of fees for verification and stamping is

advanced. Regulations with regard to procedure are to be made by local authorities with the approval of the Board of Trade, so that at present we do not know what will be regarded as legal accuracy, but it may probably be assumed that the majority of the scales now in use, and which have been in use for any considerable time, unless it be those of the best quality with steel or agate bearings, will be condemned. Of course in future manufacturers will have their scales verified and stamped before they sell them.

SAFE TO TAKE .- An evening newspaper says that Warner's "Safe Cures" are to be a feature at several of the London and provincial pantomimes this year. One of the harlequinade scenes will show the outside of a chemist's shop, with gigantic poster by the side of the window enumerating the virtues of the "Safe Cure." Enter two clowns, one of them evidently in the last stage of disease and doubled up with pain. The other points out the poster to him. A ray of hope illuminates the sufferer's features, and his companion enters the shop, presently dragging out a monster bottle, a facsimile of the "Safe Cure" bottle, with a tap near the base and standing nearly 9 feet high. Beneath the tap the sick clown is laid on his back, with his open mouth exactly under the vent, and the tap is turned on. Sundry electric kicks from the patient, increasing in vigour as the physic flows down his throat, denotes that it is working with effect, and presently the clown springs up and executes a series of lively tumbles all over the stage to indicate that he is completely cured. All this business, of course, takes time, and it is in the contract that so many minutes shall be given at each performance.

Messrs. Parke, Davis & Co., of Detroit, send us a calendar with a weird but beautifully executed design on it, representing a Japanese crab and lobster fight, the combatants being backed by a couple of gnomes. The battle takes place on the seashore, and the full moon is just rising. We were just wondering where the appropriateness of the design came in when we turned to Messrs. Parke, Davis & Co.'s note, and found that they expressed the hope that the spirit of the design might be the direct antithesis of the animus which shall pervade our future relations.

The Scopola Research.—Professor Dunstan mentioned last week that one of the reasons why he brought forward the communication on *Scopola carniolica* then was a notification that Professor Schmidt was working on the subject. It may be of interest to add that the latter Professor made the notification at the German Science Congress in September last—indeed, he then communicated the results of the research on *Scopola tropoides* (the same as *S. carniolica*) by his pupil Finzelberg, who found hyoscyamine and hyoscine in the root. We hope to give full particulars of Finzelberg's paper shortly, when it will be seen how far the English workers have corroborated his results.

Legal Reports

MR. J. F. LEESON v. THE GENERAL MEDICAL COUNCIL.

Mr. Leeson, physician, whose name the General Medical Council, at their last session, resolved to strike off the Medical Register, on the ground that he had been guilty of infamous conduct in a professional respect by acting as cover for C. B. Harness, an unqualified person trading in connection with the Medical Battery Company (Limited), applied on Friday last by counsel to Mr. Justice North, in the Chancery Division of the High Court, for an order to restrain the Council from removing his name from their

register of general practitioners until the trial of the action, and from publishing resolutions passed by them on November 28 to the effect that he (Mr. Leeson) had been guilty of infamous conduct in a professional respect, or their direction

to their registrar to erase his name.

For Mr. Leeson it was argued that the inquiry which had been made on behalf of the Council into his association with Mr. Harness and the Company was bad for several reasons—that their own rules had not been complied with; that the inquiry was (as they said) as to whether Mr. Leeson had covered Mr. Harness in acting as medical electrician—a matter he had a right to do; that it was directed against Harness while professedly made into the conduct of Leeson; and that two of the judges were incapacitated so as to vitiate the whole inquiry, because they were members of the Medical Defence Union.

Mr. Justice North said the inquiry as to whether Mr. Leeson had acted as cover for an unqualified person to act as a registered practitioner was a matter in which the Medical Council were alone the judges, and which he could not judge of subject to their acting regularly and bonâ fide. He discussed the various irregularities alleged, which were that the Council had made a new standing order on the very day of the inquiry; that the mode of conducting the inquiry laid down by the Council's standing orders had been departed from by allowing the solicitor of the Medical Defence Union to take it up at a certain point; that certain matters had been before the Council in the inquiry that were not evidence; and that the judicial proceedings of the Council were invalidated by reason of two members out of some thirty who sat on the investigation being interested parties. If they were interested, it was clear law that the proceedings would be invalidated; but was it necessary that their interest should be a pecuniary interest for that result to follow? In this case the two members of the Council were subscribers to the Medical Defence Union of 10s. a year, and were under a guarantee to that society, the society being, in fact, the prosecutors. To consider the effect of this argument, his lordship looked at the objects of the union, which comprised not only the prosecution of unregistered practi-tioners and the removal of persons guilty of unprofessional conduct, but the protection of practitioners. They were perfectly impartial; their duty as members of the union was as much for the protection of Mr. Leeson as a qualified practitioner as to have him removed if he ought to be removed. This point of law, therefore, his lordship decided in favour of the defendants. He also concluded that the proceedings were not invalidated by the other alleged irregularities. There was one other point. It had been argued that the inquiry was not bona fide because the acts and conduct of Harness had been gone into, and it was said the inquiry was not really into Leeson's conduct so much as to Harness's. That was so in a sense, but it was necessary and proper to inquire into Harness's acts for the purpose of seeing what it was that the accused was acting as a cover of; and that being so, he could not say the inquiry was not bona fide. His lordship therefore refused the motion.

BANKRUPTCY REPORTS.

Re CHARLES TYRRELL, 14 Bevis Valley Road, Southampton.

This debtor, who was recently prosecuted by the Pharmaceutical Society for infringement of the Pharmacy Act, and against whom a receiving order has since been made, has appeared before Mr. Registrar Daw at the Southampton Bankruptcy Court on December 12 (having failed to appear on the previous Thursday) for his public examination. The statement of affairs showed an indebtedness to unsecured creditors of 146l. 10s. 6d., and assets estimated to produce 20l. The failure is alleged to have been caused through the action brought by the Pharmaceutical Society and losses in wholesale trade. The Official Receiver reported that the debtor began business in January, 1889, as a drug dealer, with a capital of 250l. He was not, however, qualified to sell drugs, and paid 10l. a year to a duly-qualified chemist for the use of his name. The Pharmaceutical Society took proceedings against him in October last, and they are now entered as unsecured creditors for 44l. 12s., the amount of fines which they

recovered against him and their costs. At the examination Mr. R. R. Linthorne appeared for the debtor, and Mr. A. W. Pearce for Mr. Dowdall, a creditor. In reply to the Official Receiver (Mr. J. C. Moberly) the debtor repeated substantially the report quoted above. He said he had been a partner with Mr. W. E. Moffatt, a qualified chemist, of Needham Market. He (the debtor), not being qualified, agreed to pay $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the profits, or at least 10'. per annum, for the use of his name. The business was called the St. Luke's Drug Stores, and Mr. Moffatt's name was over the door. He had paid about 31. to Mr. Moffatt. Messrs. S. Maw, Son & Thompson issued a writ against him before Pharmaceutical Society. He defended the action brought by the Society solely with the hope of getting the penalty reduced; he knew he was liable to a fine. An execution was put in, and he sold part of his goods to pay it out. The under-sheriff took possession, Mr. White, jun., being called in to value the furniture, and he purchased it himself. The Registrar, learning that the dcbt and costs were under 201., supposed it was not necessary to sell by public auction. The Official Receiver questioned whether he ought to have sold to himself. The Registrar said the question arose, in the event of the debtor's statement being true, whether Mr. Moffatt was not a partner, and liable for the debts of the firm. He could not lend the sanction of his name for 101. a year without running certain risks. The debtor stated that Mr. Moffatt had a letter of his in which he said, though he took him into partnership, he would not hold him liable for the debts. The Registrar intimated that the law could not be defeated in that way, and he directed the debtor to produce the letters he had had from Mr. Mossatt. The Official Receiver asked for an adjournment, in order to ascertain what debtor's interest was in his father's estate, and to find out if any liability attached to Mr. Moffatt. The application was granted till December 31.

Re Roland Finch, 103 Boleyn Road, West Ham, and Silvertown Chemical Works, Victoria Docks, E., Chemical Manufacturer.

The first meeting of creditors herein was held on December 13, before Mr. C. J. Stewart, Assistant Receiver. The particulars of the failure appeared in our last issue, the accounts showing gross liabilities amounting to 28,187l. 13s. 5d., of which 9.977l. 18s. are unsecured, and assets valued at 8,116l. 17s. The following are the principal creditors:—

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Ayliffe, Frank, Caistor Park Road, West Ham	£ s. d. $105 6 0$
Brandrum Bros., 5 Philpot Lane, E.C.	12 6 0
Chapman, Spencer & Co., 36 Mark Lane, E.C	629 9 11
Drake & Lipscombe, Stratford	22 8 6
Davis, G., Son & Co., 80 Coleman Street, E.C.	475 0 0
Dunkelsbuhler, A., 7 Great St. Helen's Place, E.C.	37 10 0
East London Waterworks, 15 Great St. Helen's	01 10 0
Place, E C	34 16 6
Harrison, J., & Co., 66 Mark Lane, E.C	€6 6 7
Hitchcock, W., King's Lynn	250 0 0
Knight, H., 59 Mark Lane, E.C.	573 18 8
Lindley, C., & Co., 34 Englefield Road, N	17 13 11
Lipman & Co., Dundee	102 19 11
Levy Bros., 63 Mark Lane, E.C	476 11 3
Leslie, W., & Co., Aberdeen	50 0 0
May, T., Stratford	31 6 7
Mann, G, & Co., 70 Gracechurch Street, E.C	11 12 9
Moller, Groetz & Co., Billiter Square Build.	
ings, E.C	69 13 6
Marhyn, G., & Co., Wardbridge	99 1 8
Minct, Harvey & Smith, 4 King William	
Street, E.C	14 19 6
Patterson, F. H., Victoria Docks Road, E	77 6
Sherwin, G. E., Birmingham	19 10 0
Smith, H., 36 Mark Lane, E.C	16 15 9
Stanbury, F., Silvertown Chemical Works, E	24 11 6
Vandome, Titfordes & Co., 53 Leadenhall	
Street, E.C	10 18 5
Ward, G., & Sons, 22 Bear Lane, E.C	12 14 0
Fully Secured.	
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Jermyn, Alfred, King's Lynn	5,258 4 4
Scottish Widows' Fund, Cornhill	49 4 0
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Corn well, Son & Hewitt, 26 Crosby Buildings, E.C.	201 15 5
Jermyn, A., King's Lynn	6,636 2 2
Bunkell, H. C., Alexaudra Villas, Finsbury	244 14 0
Dunkelsbuhler, B., 7 Great St. Helen's, E.C	462 10 0

Preferential.

Ayliffe, F., Caistor Park Road, West Ham	155	6	0	
Patterson, F. H., Victoria Docks Road, E	127	6	0	
Stanbury, F., Silvertown Chemical Works, E	54	6	6	
Tapp, A., 15 Great George Street, Westminster	40	7	6	

Mr. Hatchett Jones and Mr. Styer attended for creditors, and Mr. Davis on hehalf of the dehtor.

In dealing with the proofs that had heen tendered, a discussion arose upon that made by Mr. Jermyn, when the Chairman stated that the debtor had heen examined by the Official Receiver. It had been alleged that there had heen a sort of quasi-partnership between the debtor and Mr. Jermyn, but, so far as the Court could ascertain, there had heen an agreement under which the two gentlemen engaged in a joint venture to huy the husiness for the purpose of floating a company. That agreement did not appear to be in the nature of a partnership in any way. On behalf of Mr. Jermyn, attention was drawn to the fact that hills were given by the debtor at the time the advances were made by Mr. Jermyn, and eventually the Chairman admitted the proof.

Mr. Stewart next stated that, although the order was made on Novemher 1, the meeting of creditors had heen postponed owing to the delay in the filing of the statement of affairs. In the meantime the debtor had assisted in disposing of a portion of the stock, for which good prices had heen obtained. The sales during the time had only amounted to hetween 200*L* and 300*L*, but the estate had not heen in any way damaged by the delay. The debtor had heen called upon to furnish a deficiency account, but had not yet complied with the order.

Mr. Davis said the account was now prepared and would be filed without delay. He was instructed to propose on behalf of friends of the dehtor to purchase the English assets for a sum of 2,750l., to he paid into the court within a month. The French assets were to be assigned to a trustee, and when realised were to he devoted in half shares, one half to he given to the purchaser of the English assets, and the other to the creditors. In consideration of that offer, the debtor to he released from the proceedings.

The Chairman thought it hardly worth while to put such a proposal to the meeting. The statement showed stock-intrade to the value of over 4,000%, and the creditors were asked to accept something over half that sum, and then to give the dehtor an immediate discharge from his liabilities. The offer was not at all satisfactory, and he was sure that the Official Receiver would not he able to report it to the Court as a reasonable proposal.

After some discussion it was resolved to wind up the estate in hankruptcy. Mr. Walter Winder Feast, 6 Eastcheap, was appointed trustee to realise the estate, and Mr. Henry Knight, Mr. A. Jermyn, Mr. H. Smith (representing Mr. Spencer Chapman), and Mr. S. Jacohs were elected as a committee of inspection.

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PARTNERSHIPS DISSOLVED.

Creed, T., & Carter, H. B., Greenwich and New Cross, medical practitioners.

Elieson, C. P., & Bobinsky, S. (under the style of the American Dental Manufacturing Company), Poland Street, Oxford Street, W., dental material manufacturers.

Lamb & Lidiard, Kingston-upon-Hull, surgeons, physicians, and accoucheurs.

Lush & Helsdon, Fifield and Weyhill, physicians, surgeons, and apothecaries.

THE BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1883.

RECEIVING ORDER.

Roe, William Sleath (trading as the Midland Brush Manufacturing Company), Market Harborough, brush maker.

FIRST MEETINGS AND PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS.

Gray, John, Birmingham, dentist—Jan. 2, 25 Colmore Row, Birmingham; Jan. 13, County Court, Birmingham.

Ridout, George Vatchel, Leeds, surgeon-dentist—Dec. 20, Official Receiver's offices, Leeds; Dec. 31, County Conrt House, Leeds.

ADJUDICATIONS.

Finch, Roland, Boleyn Road, West Ham, and Victoria Docks, late of Margery Road, Forest Gate, chemical manufacturer.

Holey, George, Beverley, botanic and electric practitioner.

Lloyd, David, junr., Shanklin, surgeon.

Thompson, James Andrew Baird, Totnes, doctor of medicine and surgeon.

ORDERS ON APPLICATIONS TO APPROVE SCHEMES.

Alewood, Edwin, Swansea, chemist and druggist—composition of 5s.

Roberts-Dudley, Frederick John, Stalybridge, surgeon—composition of 5s.

NOTICES OF DIVIDENDS.

Briggs, Joseph, jun., Lichfield, late of Bradford, mineral-water manufacturer—first and final div. of 28. 05 d., Dec. 20, Official Receiver's offices, Wolverhampton.

Hanna, William Alfred Kingston, Coventry, surgeon—second and final div. of 1s. 6d. (4s. on new proofs), Official Receiver's office, Coventry.

Kelsey, William, Barnsley, dealer in drugs and patent medicines—first and final div. of 9s. 2d., Dec. 20, Official Receiver's office, Barnsley.

APPLICATION FOR DEBTOR'S DISCHARGE.

Steadman, George, Sheffield, botanist—Jan. 23, County Court hall, Sheffield.

ORDER MADE ON APPLICATION FOR DISCHARGE.

Waller, Walter Kerr, Penzauce, chemist and druggist—unconditional discharge.

EXTRACT FROM THE REGISTER OF DEEDS OF ARRANGEMENT.

The following deeds of arrangement with creditors have been filed at the Bills of Sale Office, under the provisions of the Deeds of Arrangement Act, 1887. Some of these deeds are for the purpose of carrying out compositions with creditors (and such are specified below), but the great majority of them are "assignments" in the ordinary form, to a trustee or trustees, for the benefit of creditors. The Act referred to expressly provides that registration shall not give validity to any deed which is an act of bankruptcy, and there is no provision, in the Act, making any of these arrangements binding upon dissenting creditors.

Bingham, Robert, Market Place, Kirton-in-Lindsay, chemist and druggist and wine and spirit merchant. Trustee: James Saltmer (Lotthouse & Saltmer), 12 Market Place, Hull, manufacturing chemist. Date, Dec. 16; filed, Dec. 17; unsecured liabilities, 8831. 12s. 64.; estimated net assets, 3851.; creditors fully secured, 901.

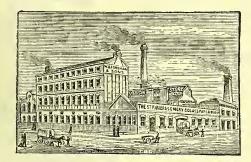
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Allsopp, S., & Son (Limited), Burton on-Trent	74 1 0
Battle, Son & Maltby, Lincoln	15 4 11
Blundell, Spence & Co., Hull	28 0 0
Dnnville & Co., Belfast	29 14 0
Evans, Lescher & Webb, London	14 6 5
Hill, T., Kirton in Lindsay	11 1 8
Henderson, J., & Co., Hull	10 5 2
Lawman, J., Kirton-iu-Lindsay	35 0 0
Lofthouse & Saltmer, Hull	53 4 3
Middleton & Son, Hull	34 4 10
Nicholson, J. W., & Co., London	19 9 7
Oldfield, Pattison & Co., Manchester	16 3 5
Pearson, H, Kirton-in-Lindsay	14 7 9
Sissons Bros. & Co, Hull	25 1 6
Smith, Ellison & Co., Gainsborough	56 16 4
Wilson, Mrs., Lincoln	300 0 0

FLESHY FUNGI.—Those who are interested in the preservation of fungi will find a practical article hy M. C. Cooke and G. Masee on the subject in the November issue of the "Kew Bulletin."

OUR TOWN TRAVELLER.

THE HOME OF THE "MONKEY BRAND."

The heavy air hung thick and muggy over the slope of Pentonville Hill as through the grimy valley of King's Cross our Town Traveller sought out the dwelling of the "Monkey Brand." This intelligent foreigner has his British headquarters at the sign of W. B. FORDHAM & SONS (LIMITED), in York Road, and his diggings are faithfully depicted here.



About three years ago Messrs. Benjamin Brooke & Co., of Philadelphia, who had already established a flourishing trade in their speciality in the States, commenced to attack the European market, and placed their principal agency in this country in the hands of the Messrs. Fordham. At that period the "Monkey Brand" was altogether unknown in this country. One could scarcely ask for a better proof of the value of judicious and intelligent advertising than the fact that at present Messrs. Fordham are selling the soap at the rate of several thousand cases of 100 boxes each per month. It is now, in fact, one of the most important specialities of the house, which is saying a good deal, as the number of the commodities now quoted in the firm's catalogue numbers over three thousand. The present colossal trade of the establishment has grown up from a very modest beginning made about sixty years by Mr. Isaac Fordham, the grandfather of two of the present managers of the concern. At that time the business of the firm, then located in Kirby Street, Hatton Garden, only embraced a few specialities such as glue, emery-cloth, and black-lead, all of which still form staple goods of the house. Now the York Road works contain over an acre of floor-space, and additions are still being made from time to time. About four years ago the business was turned into a limited company, and it is now managed by three Messrs. Fordham (descendants of the founder) and Mr. F. T. Burden, who in former years did a good deal of travelling for the firm, and is well known to scores of country chemists whose proclivities are not too professional to preclude them from handling the many saleable and useful domestic appliances which Messrs. Fordham place upon the market. Mr. Burden attributes the success of the company principally to the fact that the managers have all grown up in the business and are acquainted with all its details. "We don't go in for lords and guineapigs upon our Board," was his plain-spoken observation; and, in fact, the goods offered by his firm are essentially such as appeal to the million.

SOME OF THE NOVELTIES.

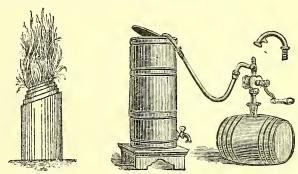
Among the articles exhibited in the firm's show-room our attention was attracted specially to the dishes, basins, and vases made of "steel pulp" at Thetford, in Norfolk. This "steel pulp" is a patent preparation, which combines lightness with elasticity to such a degree as to be specially adapted for the manufacture of basins, flower-vases, toilet sets, and so forth; and it is also used with success for door-plates, crumb-trays, plaques for painting, in lieu of terra-cotta plates, and a variety of other purposes. The sixpenny "Jack Frost" packets of ground mica, for Christmas-tree decoration, are enjoying a particularly brisk sale just now, and there is also a strong demand for camphor in penny blocks, which the firm are having specially made for them. "Lepage's liquid glue" and "Herbert's family glue-pot" are also established favourites,

the former article being now specially put up for sale in stands of three 1s. and eight 6d. bottles. Small $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. blocks of beeswax also enjoy a considerable sale, and the demand for Putz powder, stove-polish, and Brunswick black, and dozens of other handy articles for sale over the counter, is growing very considerably. A new opener for aërated-water bottles was shown to us, the sale of which has largely exceeded expectations. The process is very simple, the stopper being forced down into the bottle by the action of a hollow tube fixed on to a lever, the liquid passing into the glass through the tube, and out of an aperture half way down the lever. These openers are sold in three qualities—lacquered at 4s., bronzed at 8s., and nickelled at 12s. per dozen. Cheap menthol cones are now, we understand, being added to the firm's specialities, the specimens shown to us being of the vase shape hitherto prominently connected with the name of Mr. A. W. Shirley. Perfumery, in nicely got-up small stone jars, sold in boxes of one dozen, is also put up for sale in this department.

Medicated paper is another important article of the firm's trade, and they carry a large selection of it; one of the best qualities, made of rye-grass, being put up in cardboard boxes to retail at 1s. 6d. Buyers of one-gross packets can

have their names placed on the cover.

The magic fire-lighter is another cheap and handy article for counter sale. It is made of light wood impregnated with resin, and sells in small boxes of one-dozen, one lighter, along with a few sticks, sufficing to kindle a fire.



THE MAGIC LIGHTER.

THE HAND ROTARY PUMP.

The hand rotary pump has just been reduced in price for both sizes, the larger one having a capacity of 13 and the smaller one of 10 gallous per minute. The suction-pipe of the pump is kept rigid in the keg or barrel by means of a holder in the shape of a tapering sleeve, with outside worm, which can be applied to barrels of any size of bung between $1\frac{1}{0}$ inch and 4 inches in diameter.

ENAMEL PAINT AND EMERY PAPER.

A walk through the extensive manufacturing and storerooms at the rear of the premises revealed an enormous stock of Aspinall's enamel, both in the full-sized and in the half-sized tins. Our guide spoke quite enthusiastically of the growth of the demand for these enamels, in which Messrs. Fordham claim to be the largest dealers, their average stock amounting to about 200,000 tins, representing a value of some 15,000l. Another article which has had a phenomenal sale last season is the "Demon" beetle-trap, in which the gentle insects are lured to destruction on the same system which is occasionally adopted to catch tigers, viz. by batting them on to a surface which gives way under their weight and precipitates them into the pit below. The sales of these traps this year are said to surpass the combined sales of the ten previous seasons.

Passing through the rooms devoted to the manufacture of glass-paper, where several employés were busy applying hot glue to stout paper, then lightly passing ground-glass over the shcets, placing them on hot plates, and finally drying them on lines across the room, and the apartment where emery cloth is prepared in much the same manner, we reached the carpenters' shop, where men are busy constructing cases for the packing department. Thence we proceeded through yards of space filled with brushware, glue (of which a stock of 150 tons is always kept on the premises), gelatine, and American woodwork, to the town department, where the

London orders are got ready. Messrs. Fordham employ twenty horses in the delivery of their goods in the metropolis, while railway-vans are busy in the yard below carrying away goods for the country and abroad. In the shipping department a heavy order for glue and enamel paint was just being prepared for shipment to Algoa Bay, while a number of packages of assorted goods were ready packed for despatch to Australia, a buyer from the Antipodes having visited the establishment a few days previous and handed in an order which was considered large even for an Australian firm-big orders being the rule from that quarter. With South America, too, Messrs. Fordham have a prosperous and increasing trade, and even the Canadian tariff is no insurmountable obstacle to their invasion of the Dominion. Even in this department there is room for a novelty, the material which is used for packing being a patent wood-wool, which combines great toughness with remarkable lightness.

WHERE THE NOVELTIES ARE GOT.

Upon our return from our round we inquired from Mr. Burden whether the firm found any difficulty in keeping up a sufficient supply of novelties for so large a trade as theirs. The reply was that they always had what almost amounted to a superfluity of new ideas brought before them. Their experience in the business enabled them nearly invariably to judge correctly whether an idea would take, and therefore they had few failures among their novelties. Mr. Burden then went up to the large American safe in a corner of his private room and brought out a huge bundle of papers, which, he explained, consisted of agreements with inventors who sold their ideas to Messrs. Fordham, the latter bringing them out in a marketable shape, and the former receiving a royalty upon the sale of each article. Many of their novelties, as might be supposed, hail from America. "They have such clever mechanics there." said Mr. Burden, though he qualified this by adding that they had been gratified to find how, during the last three or four years, the British mechanics had made immense progress in adaptability and readiness of resource. From Germany they got very few saleable novelties, and from France practically none, the French notions of profit being generally too high and altogether out of proportion to the willingness to run any risk in creating trade. A few minutes more of conversation brought our representative's visit to a close, and presently he found himself once more struggling in the outer darkness and groping his way to the station through the murky pall of grime and for.

A NEW AËRATED-WATER PLANT.

Mr. WILLIAM HUDSON, affectionately known among his "pals" by the sobriquet of "Billee," is established in the vicinity of Eastcheap as a wine merchant and taster, and in those capacities enjoys a very high reputation among the trade. He has lately also turned his attention in a nonalcoholic direction, and the other day was discovered by our representative holding forth in alternate sentences on the iniquities of our licensing system, the efficacy of lithia as a gout-assuager, and the wonderful merits of a new counterfountain. The two former subjects are incapable of illustration in these columns, but we have secured a block of the last named, and are happy to furnish the following particulars, which, after considerable trouble, we have unravelled from out the somewhat entangled skeins of Mr. Billee's conversational flux de bouche:-

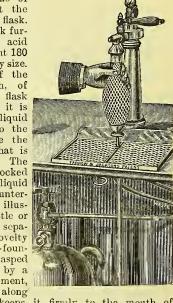
It is well known that in the Eifel Mountains in Central Germany carbonic-acid gas issues in immense volumes from the volcanic soil. This gas is caught in chambers, condensed under high pressure to a liquid consistency, and bottled up in strong iron cylinders of varying sizes, up to about four feet in height, and capable of withstanding a pressure of 3,750 lbs. to the square inch, in token of which they are stamped with the Prussian eagle, as a kind of

Solomon's seal.

"You see here," interpolated Mr. Hudson, lucidly, by way of comforting our representative, "if that wasn't so we'd all be blown to smithcreens." The company which it was proposed to form at the time of our representative's visit, and of which a prospectus is now, we understand, about to be issued under the style of the "Volcanic Aëration Company

rally with the plant here illustrated, along with a rocking holder for mixing the carbon dioxide and the liquid, for the

annual rent of 81. 8s. They will also refill the flasks of liquid carbonic acid at the charge of 15s. per large flask. It is said that such a flask furnishes enough carbonic acid gas to aërate up to about 180 dozen bottles of ordinary size. A sufficient quantity of the carbon dioxide (which, of course, emerges from the flask as a gas, though within it is held compressed into a liquid state) is introduced into the rocking mixer to aërate the capacity of the latter, that is to say, about 5 gallons. The container is vigorously rocked for a short time, and the liquid drawn up through the counterfountain shown in the illustration, so that each bottle or draught may be drawn separately as required. The novelty claimed for the counter-fountain is that the bottle is clasped from above and below by a cup-shaped metal arrangement, the lower of which rises along



with the bottle, and keeps it firmly to the mouth of the tap, thus avoiding much loss of material, though we must say that a certain amount of waste still exists. The advantages claimed for the liquefied carbonic acid gas are cheapness, simplicity, compactness, purity, and avoidance of steam-power and other drawbacks of the sulphuric acid and whiting system. On the other hand, it is only fair to state that the German bottled gas is by no means a novelty. A few years ago a paper was read upon this subject at the Society of Chemical Industry, and we understand that since then efforts have been madeapart from the promoters of the present company-to introduce the gas into England, but without success. Lager beer is aërated in Germany by means of this gas, and we hear that in London the Aërated Bread Company are thinking of

adopting it in their manufacture.

THE PUMELINE PRODUCTS.

A few days ago our Town Traveller in his wanderings found himself branching off from Holborn into the Gray's Inn Road. While mentally congratulating himself upon the change which the last few years have wrought in the appearance of that now noble thoroughfare, he became conscious



of an odour calling up pleasant memories of German (Limited), intends to furnish chemists and applicants gene- | mountains and Bournemouth chines. Looking up, our

man's attention was arrested by the word "PUMILINE," in white lettering, on the ground-floor window of what an auctioneer's catalogue might describe as a "five-storied, red-brick mansion of imposing aspect." Two minutes later that traveller occupied a chair in the private office of the head of the firm of G. & G. Stern, late of Billiter Square, but now the lessees of the aforesaid mansion.

"We are not yet altogether in full working gear," the proprietor of the business commenced; "for instance, our soap trade is increasing so quickly that we have found it necessary to order two new soap-mills in addition to the one already at work in the basement, and two departments upstairs are still partly in the hands of the carpenters and fitters; but all the same our present place is a great improvement upon Billiter Square, where we could not do any manufacturing at all. Now we make nearly all our goods on the premises, and we contemplate one or two important additions to our list in the near future. But before taking you over our place I would just like to show you, by way of curiosity, our book of testimonials from people who have used our preparations and been benefited by them."

Experience has taught our representative to be sceptical with regard to testimonials generally, but it is only fair to say that a perusal of the bulky volume placed before him revealed the signatures of many medical men of good standing, and of some celebritics in unmedical walks of life.

ATTILA, THE STRONG MAN,

and Sandow's, another Strong Man's trainer, sends a Hunnish scrawl of appreciation, which should "boom" the Pumiline liniment in sporting circles. Pumiline, as every chemist knows, or ought to know, is the fancy name under which Messrs. G. & G. Stern have introduced their particular make of essential oil from the Pumilio Pine of the Tyrolese Alps. Pine-needle oils have of recent years attained a high degree of favour in medical circles as a remedy in affections of the chest and the respiratory organs, rheumatism, and other complaints, and a large share of that rising popularity is due to Messrs. Stern's efforts. In the room adjoining the general office the preparations compounded in other parts of the building are packed ready for sending out, and in that department as, indeed, throughout the place, the employés are exceptionally busy just now, winter being the principal period for the consumption of Pumiline goods. The head of the firm here called for a "doctor's sample," which proved to be a neat wooden box about 10 inches square, containing an ordinary-sized package of each of the six preparations, a small atomiser, and a bundle of Pumiline literature. Such a box is sent to every medical man who cares to ask for it. "We reckon that, including the postage, a doctor's sample costs us about 6s., because we do not send out small vials with merely a suspicion of the preparations, but our ordinary bottle, which will leave the medical man no excuse for not putting our goods to a practical test." The record kept of these "samples" showed that during the second half of 1888 no fewer than 4,044 had been despatched. To this free-handed sampling of their goods Messrs. Stern attribute much of their success, and they express themselves gratified with the manner in which the medical profession have taken up the articles. Asked whether they had met with any trouble in the way of imitations of their goods by the drug trade, our guide answered that there had been a few cases in which chemists had proved to be unaware that

" PUMILINE" IS A REGISTERED WORD,

but so far there had been no serious trouble in that direction. The firm acknowledge that they must always encounter a certain degree of competition of other pine-oil essences, but they are not afraid of that. During this conversation we had reached the second floor, where the raw goods are stored. The essential oil is distilled and tinned in Austria, where the firm own an establishment at the foot of the mountains on whose crests the pine shrubs are gathered. The trees grow wild, and the distillers purchase the right to collect the needles from the Government, who in these parts, Mr. George will be glad to hear, are the owners of the soil. The best shrubs for distilling purposes grow above the snow-line. Their tops are lopped off by the collectors when the plants are from 2 feet to 3 feet in height, and they are then left to shoot again, the shrub yielding a fresh harvest every fourth year.

From seven to nine shrubs of average size are required to to produce 1 oz. of essential oil. The distillate is put up in canisters holding 5 kilos. each, ten of which go to a case, every tin being inspected by the chemist in charge of the works and again upon its arrival in London. Messrs. Stern do not sell any of their oil in bulk, except to certain hospitals. They put it all up in bottles varying in size from 2 oz. to 6 oz, and bring it into commerce as "Pumiline." The liquid extract for use in baths is imported in casks holding 100 kilos. each. The third floor is used for the preparation of the liniment, which is a compound of the essence with olive oil and chloroform; and of the Pumiline ointment, as the base of which lanoline, with the addition of a little paraffin oil, is employed. Until the middle of this year all these preparations were manufactured in Germany, but since the removal of the establishment to the the red-brick mansion the goods are all made in this country. A characteristic feature of the Pumiline goods is that they are all put up in pea-green boxes, and that the same pleasantly verdant hue has been adopted for the showcards, pamphlet covers, and, in fact, wherever possible, even the soap being coloured a green shade by means of chlorophyll pigment.

The ointment-bottles alone are blue, and the explanation is that they cannot be had in any other colour. "We make it a point," said our guide, "to purchase everything we can in this country, but we find that in two important instances British manufacturers are absolutely unable to compete.

Thus, we have to

BUY OUR OINTMENT-POTS IN FRANCE.

You see here a few crates of them which have just arrived." The crates contained neat blue bottles packed in lots of five by means of a wisp of straw, and we would advise some of our English friends in the bottle trade to ask Messrs. Stern for a sample of the pots.

The jujubes are made both sugar-coated and unsugared, and we were shown an old batch made some time ago, when white gum arabic was momentarily out of the market. They are quite brown, and appear to have been made from Aden gum. At present pale gum, if not of the true Turkey kind, is again obtainable, and the jujubes are consequently of a pale colour. "If only the proper kinds of gum would again become as plentiful as before we could sell our jujubes at half the present price," said our guide. But what chance is there of that with the Mahdi being "kilt entoirely" one day and bobbing up from below again the next?

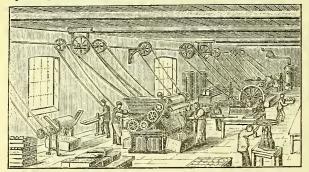
The ointment is now made in a hand-power mixer, which holds 80 lbs. and can turn out three batches a day, but the erection of a steam-power plant is in contemplation.

The top floor is being fitted up as a drying-room for the bottles, and one of the new departments which are to be added to the works will also find its home here. Thence we descended again to the basement, where a Beyer's milling system soap-plant is kept going at high pressure turning out Pumiline soap. The soap stock is the second ingredient in the firm's manufacture which they say cannot be obtained in this country of the desired quality and price. representative suggested several names of well-known soapmakers, but was informed that they had all been tried. "We are

COMPELLED TO BUY SOAP STOCK IN GERMANY,

It is made there much better than we can get it here from a combination of palm and olive oils, and we get it in pale yellow cakes or slices, which we allow to ripen for eight or nine months before putting them into the mill." The first process in the soap manufacture is to pass the cakes into a double-action machine, which cuts them up into thin shavings. These are mixed in a wooden box with a certain proportion of lanoline. The compound is then placed in the rolling-mill, through which it passes three times backwards and forwards. The Pumiline essence is next added, and the material passed through the roller once more. The next process consists in colouring the mass and transferring it into the hopper, whence it issues in bars which are cut to the desired length and dried for twenty-four hours. The bars are then divided into cake size, trimmed and rounded off at the corners, and placed in the stamping press, which is capable of stamping about 800 cakes a day. The cakes are subjected to a lengthy process of drying, first under hot

air and next at ordinary temperature, and are then ready for packing. The usual size in which they are put up is in boxes



of three, to retail at 1s. 6d. per box; but large 1s. cakes are also made.

"ARE PINE OIL PRODUCTS ALSO MADE ABROAD?"

was our last question, to which, to our surprise, a negative answer was given. Pine oil and its properties are, of course, well known on the Continent, and both extract and essential oil have been used for bathing and inhalation purposes in Germany and other countries for years. But nowhere abroad has any attempt been made to create a regular business in preparations such as those of the Messrs. Stern. The firm transact their colonial and foreign business from their London headquarters, and they are contemplating an attack upon the American market as soon as they can get leisure to prepare a proper plan of campaign.

OUR Amsterdam correspondent writes:- "It is a fact deserving attention that in 1889 about 44 per cent. more Java cinchona bark of private plantations has been sold here than in the preceding year, viz. 3,719,965 lbs., whilst I had, in my letter dated December 28, 1887, estimated the importation of private bark in 1889 at 25,000 packages of about 150 lbs. each = about 3,750,000 lbs. A London firm of brokers are apparently in error in saying, as they do in a recent report, that 'the present crop of Java cinchona bark shows a moderate increase as compared with the previous (1887-88) Java crop'; and also in their statement, in an earlier report, that 'the last crop (1887-88) of Java bark shows an increase, but not the heavy quantity anticipated by so many expressing an opinion. The firm in question probably alluded to your issue of December 31, 1887, in which the future output of Java crops (1888 and 1889) was correctly estimated, as I do not know of anyone else having published an opinion, with figures, on this subject. I maintain my opinion, expressed in my letters of December 14 and 28, 1887:—(1) That an average of 4 per cent. of quinine (sulphate) in the bark produced is the vital question for a plantation of cinchona bark; (2) that Java, where still many poor trees, cultivated from seed, are existing, will progress in quantity and quality of its bark from year to year; and (3) that Java and other districts producing bark of at least 4-per-cent, quinine will in a few years be the only ones where cinchona-growing will offer a profit, however moderate that may be.

To prevent bumping in distillation, Mr. Stanley E. Parkhill, of Owosso, has suggested in the *Pharm. Era* to roughen the inside of the flask by placing in it a little fluorspar, then a little sulphuric acid and water, and warming the flask until action begins. It is then set aside for a few minutes, and finally is rinsed out, and is then ready for use. The result is said to be excellent.

"THE TEA INDUSTRY OF CEYLON" is the title of a neat little pamphlet which has been compiled and issued by Messrs. Kearly & Tonge, of Mitre Square, E.C. The history of Ceylon tea begins in 1837, but the trade did not begin until 1877, when 2,000 lbs. were exported. Messrs. Kearly & Tonge predict (and they ought to know, for they are amongst the principal dealers) that the imports into London for the present year will figure between 32,000,000 and 34,000,000 lbs. Chemists who sell tea, as well as those who do not, should send for a copy of the pamphlet.

Trade Report.

Notice to Retail Buyers:—It should be remembered that the quotations in this section are invariably the lowest net cash prices actually paid for large quantities in bulk. In many cases allowances have to be added before ordinary prices can be ascertained. Frequently goods must be picked and sorted to suit the demands of the retail trade, causing much labour and the accumulation of rejections, not all of which are suitable, even for manufacturing purposes.

It should also be recollected that for many articles the range of quality to very wide,

42 CANNON STREET, E.C., December 19.

THE year's trade in our branches closes with a much better feeling generally than has been the case for the last few seasons. Trade during the present week has been decidedly brisker than might have been expected, and in a considerable number of articles a steady business is being done at full prices. The following articles are dearer:—Camphor, raw and refined, quinine, glycerine, prussiate of potash, soy, jalap, insect flowers, saffron, tonquin beans, buchu, olive oils, gambier, various kinds of gum arabic, benzol, ginger, and sulphate of ammonia. We quote lower:—Cinchona, castor oil, coca leaves, cream of tartar, quicksilver, bleaching-powder, shellac, galls (China), petroleum, cotton-seed oil, and chillies.

ACID (CARBOLIC).— Crystals of good melting-point are quoted at 1s. per lb. for large drums, liquid acid at 1s. 6d. per gallon. The new synthetical carbolic acid, for which it is claimed that it leaves behind no unpleasant smell whatever, may now be obtained through any wholesale drug house.

ACIDS (VARIOUS).—Boracic has been in good demand at 24s. per cwt. for prompt delivery and 22s. 6d. forward. Citric very dull and neglected at 1s. $3\frac{3}{4}d$. per lb., nearest quotation. Oxalic nominal. Tartaric flat at 1s. $3\frac{1}{2}d$, to 1s. 4d., according to brand,

AMBERGRIS.—A small parcel (about 18 oz.) has just arrived $vi\hat{a}$ New Zealand. It has not yet been inspected, and nothing can therefore be said about the quality, but it is sure to be held at high prices.

AMMONIA SALTS.—Carbonate dull at $3\frac{3}{4}d$.; sal ammoniac, scarce and wanted, at 36s for first, and 34s for second, quality. Sulphate of ammonia is dearer, and has been in demand, closes rather quiet at 12l. 7s. 6d. for all brands.

ANISE.—Some business in *Star anise* for future delivery was recently reported at the high price of 90s. per cwt. On the spot there is nothing available, and, according to the latest mail reports, nothing offers from China.

BENZOL dearer again, of 90-per-cent. there were buyers early in the week at 3s. 4d., but now it is quiet at 3s. $4\frac{1}{2}d$. to 3s. 5d. 50-per-cent.: Nothing valuable under 2s. $7\frac{1}{2}d$. to 2s. 8d.

BLEACHING-POWDER very dull, and offered at much lower prices. London, nominal time for early delivery, from 4*l*. 15s. down to as low as 4*l*. 12s. 6*d*.

BUCHU.—A small business is reported at an advance on the last auction rates; $3\frac{1}{4}d$, per lb. for good green round leaves

CAMPHOR (CRUDE).—No further business is reported for arrivals, but it is said that 25 tubs of Japan camphor have sold on the spot at 8l. 5s. per cwt. and that there is not a tub left in London. The Oil, Paint, and Drug Reporter states that it has received information, "from what may be considered an official source," that while there may have been some restriction of the output of camphor, the limited offerings from Japan are one of the results of manipulation of the primary market by native speculators. Some twenty-three years ago the Japanese Government organised a Forestry Bureau, one of the duties of which was to suppress the wholesale destruction of the trees. The bureau estimates each year the number of trees that may be safely felled without injury to the forests, and grants permits to cut. These permits are sold at public auction to the highest bidder. For the past ten years the regulations of the Forestry Bureau of Japan have been strictly enforced, and

there can, therefore, be no ground whatever for the report current a year ago that unlimited destruction of the camphor trees had been permitted.

CAMPHOR (REFINED).—The English refiners have again advanced their quotations 1d. per lb. to-day. They now ask 1s. 10d. per lh. for Bells. A small quantity of foreign refined was offering yesterday at 1s. 8d. per lb. from a second-hand holder, but we do not think that figure would be accepted any longer.

CASCARA SAGRADA.—Quiet and unaltered. The latest mail news from America is to the effect that the holders on the Pacific Coast want higher rates than those in New York, but there is now a sign of a coming advance on the latter market also, and 62s. 6d. to 66s. "c.i.f." is the quotation.

CINCHONA.—At Tuesday's auctions the following quantities were offered:—

	Packages	1	ackage	3
Oeylon bark	1,899 of	which	1,311	were sold
East Indian bark	€06	**	571	99
Java bark	89	"	89	"
South American bark	;336	99	3	**
Total	2,930	>>	1,974	**

The assortment of barks was a fairly good one, there being but few very ordinary parcels. The demand on the part of the manufacturers was not particularly brisk, except for parcels of more than average richness, and although quotations were very irregular, we should judge that the prices paid were rather lower than at the preceding auctions, and that even the hetter lots very rarely realised more than $1\frac{3}{4}d$. per unit. The following are the approximate quantities purchased by the principal buyers:—

		Lbs.
Agents for the Brunswick factory	•••	142,272
,, the Mannheim and Amsterdam works	••	95,945
,, the American, French, &c., works	••	91,085
Messrs. Howards & Sons	••	61,855
Agents for the Frankfort o/M. and Stuttgart works	•	55,011
, the Auerbach factory	• •	14,690
Sundry druggists	••	19,716
Total quantity sold		480,574
Bought in or withdrawn	•	183,236
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Total amount of bark catalogued	• •	663,810

It should be well understood that the mere weight of bark purchased affords no guide whatever to the quinine yield represented by it, firms who huy a small quantity of bark by weight frequently taking the richest lots, and vice versâ. An analysis of the catalogues gives the following prices for sound hark:—

CEYLON BARK.—Original: Red varieties, ordinary dull and weak to fair chips, 2d. to $2\frac{1}{3}d$.; fair to good stem chips, $2\frac{3}{4}d$. to $3\frac{1}{4}d$.; fine hright stem chips, $3\frac{1}{3}d$. to 4d.; fair to good bright spoke shavings, partly mixed with hranch quill, $2\frac{3}{4}d$. to 4d.; ordinary dull and papery to fine hright bold druggists' quill, $3\frac{1}{2}d$. to $8\frac{1}{2}d$.; dull and dusty to good root, $2\frac{1}{4}d$. to 5d. per lb. Yellow varieties: Good to very fine rich quilly chips, $6\frac{1}{2}d$. to 11d.; fair spoke shavings, $3\frac{1}{2}d$.; dull dusty root, $2\frac{1}{2}d$.; very fine rich ditto, 11d. per lh. Grey varieties: Ordinary dull chips to good branchy chips, 2d. to $5\frac{1}{2}d$.; good bright root, $6\frac{1}{2}d$. to 7d. per lh. Renewed: Very common weak red chips, 2d. to $2\frac{1}{2}d$.; good hright quilly chips, 4d. to $5\frac{1}{2}d$.; fine rich chips and spoke shavings, mixed, 6d. to $7\frac{1}{2}d$. per lb. Grey fair to good bright rich chips, 4d. to 9d. per lb. Yellow: fair to fine hright rich chips, 5d. to 11d. per lb. East Indian Bark.—Original: Red fair to good hright

EAST INDIAN BARK.—Original: Red fair to good hright quilly chips, 2d. to 6d. per lb.; good hold druggists' quill, 9d. to $9\frac{1}{2}d$. per lh.; root, from $2\frac{1}{2}d$. to 5d. per lh.; grey good strong chips, $4\frac{1}{2}d$. to $5\frac{1}{2}d$.; finc bold strong rich, $6\frac{1}{2}d$. to 3d.; fair spoke shavings, 3d.; thin broken branch, $2\frac{1}{2}d$. to 3d; yellow chips, $4\frac{1}{2}d$.; dull dusty root, 2d. per lh. Renewed: Fair to good strong red chips, partly mixed with branch and mossy pieces, 2d. to $5\frac{1}{2}d$.; good to fine hranchy grey chips, 4d. to $8\frac{1}{2}d$.; a few lots very rich ditto, 10d. to $10\frac{1}{2}d$.; bright yellow chips, 9d. per lh.

JAVA BARK: Good strong yellow root, partly siftings, 6d. to $7\frac{1}{2}d$. per lb.; fair stem chips, 4d. to $4\frac{1}{2}d$.; fine quilly chips, 7d. per lb.

SOUTH AMERICAN BARK: Previous to the auctions it was reported that about 250 packages of *Cuprea* hark of old

import had changed hands privately at steady rates, from $5\frac{3}{4}d$. per lb. for the best down to $2\frac{1}{4}d$ per lh. for inferior qualities. At auction 336 packages cultivated Bolivian Calisaya quill were shown, but all bought in except three packages. For the best lots $8\frac{1}{2}d$. per lb. is asked, offers of from $7\frac{1}{2}d$. to 8d. per lh. heing declined. Our imports from all quarters since our last report total up to 389 packages.

COCA LEAVES.—Slightly lower prices are reported from New York, viz., 1s. $2\frac{1}{2}d$. per lh. "c.i.f." for the hest dark green Huanoco, and 11d. "c.i.f." for pale Truxillo. There appear to he a good many European orders in the market, and 50 bales Huanoco have just been taken for Hamburg.

COPPER (SULPHATE).—Firm at 23l. 10s. to 24l., according to brand. First half of next year at 22l. 15s.

CREAM OF TARTAR.—Easier and quiet at 110s. per cwt. for best white French crystals.

Galls.—Both Turkey and China galls remain firmly held, but we do not hear of much husiness. For good Canton galls on the spot owners now require 80s. per cwt., though no higher price is yet reported to have heen paid than 74s. For shipment December-January steamer plum-shaped galls are reported to have been sold at 62s. 6d. to 63s. 6d. "c.i.f." terms, which would show a decline, and it is said that there are now offers at 62s. "c.i.f.," but buyers for this variety have apparently quite withdrawn. Some galls of usual shape are offering at 67s. 6d. "c.i.f."

GAMBIER.—There have been further transactions in *Block* gambier at 26s. 6d. per cwt. for December-January shipment, hut for nearer positions improved prices are reported paid, viz., 26s. 9d. to 27s. for Novemher-December and 27s. 3d. for October-November shipment.

GLYCERINE.—The principal brands of double-distilled sp. gr. 1260 are now all quoted at the same price, viz, 65l. There are some indications of an understanding among the principal redistillers of glycerine, with a view to bring the prices of the distilled article in harmony with the recently-advanced prices of the crude article.

GUM ARABIC.—The last auctions of the year were held to-day, for which ahout 2,700 packages were catalogued. There had heen an excellent demand privately, principally of good Ghattis and Amrads for America, and the improvement which was manifested to-day was, therefore, not unexpected. Amrads sold at an irregular improvement of from 5s. to 10s., and one parcel, of which a fortnight ago sales had heen made at 55s., now hrought 67s. 6d. per cwt. Ghattis, if anything, are dearer. Superior Aden gums would bring high prices if any were offered, hut ordinary qualities are greatly neglected. In White Mogadore and Senegal gums no husiness is reported. The Trieste market is said to he almost cleared of fine picked gums. The following is a synopsis of the result of to-day's auction:—Cape: Finc soft ambery sorts, 92s. 6d.; fine small siftings, 70s. Aden sorts: Good bright, 66s.; common to good hold siftings, 16s. to 42s. per cwt. Bombay-Amrad: Red to good ambery drop, 35s. to 53s. Kurrachee: Ordinary dull to fine pale drop, 53s. to 75s. Ghatti: Ordinary dark to good pale, 21s. to 48s.; fine to superior white, 53s. to 80s. per cwt.

INSECT-FLOWERS.—From the producing countries there are somewhat higher quotations again. Trieste to-day quotes 90s. for open and 120s. for closed flowers, "c.i.f." terms. The following are the Trieste statistics for the last five reary:

 Stock on June 1 (commencement of new season)
 1889
 1888
 1887
 1836

 Imports from June 1 to November 30
 6,419
 2,248
 3,533
 2,894

 Deliveries
 7, 5,109
 1,285
 3,259
 2,457

Jalap.—The demand continues, and we understand that small sales of fine heavy root have been made at $9\frac{1}{2}d$. per lb. There is very little offering in this grade, and 85s. per cwt. is asked for delivery, "c.i.f." terms.

MEAT EXTRACT.—A quantity of meat extract was sold to-day hy public auction. The extract was put up in cases varying from 84 to 224 lbs. in net weight, two or more tins heing placed in a case. It was offered in lots of from five to 50 cases, and the sale conditions were rather different to those at which drugs or drysalteries are usually sold. The samples bore no indication of the place of manufacture.

The first lot, which appeared to be of good quality, was put in at 3s. 6d. per lb., and ultimately sold at 4s. $7\frac{1}{2}d$. per lb.; then came a less-desirable parcel, which realised 4s. 6d., and finally a large lot, which commenced to sell at 4s., but gradually dropped down to 3s. $7\frac{1}{2}d$., below which price the auctioneer refused to go on. The weight of the total parcel was 32,816 lbs., of which 22,493 lbs. were sold. The value of the total parcel may be estimated at about 7,000l. There was also a lot of 167 lbs. offered simply as "extract," which we understood to be fish extract, and for which no offers were obtainable.

MERCURIALS unchanged, at the prices last quoted. Chinese *Vermilion* is dearer; owners now require 3s. per lb. for good chops.

OIL (CASTOR).—Dull and rather easier. In London good Calcutta seconds may be had at $4\frac{1}{3}d$. per lb., and in Liverpool sales have been made at $4\frac{1}{3}d$. per lb., while first pressure French oil has changed hands at $3\frac{2}{3}d$. per lb. The Calcutta market on November 26 remained exceedingly firm with few sellers. Large quantities are afloat to the United Kingdom at present, viz. about 1,440 cwts. to London, 1,460 cwts. to Liverpool, and 150 cwts. to Dundee, or about 3,050 cwts. altogether, against only 320 cwts. at the corresponding period of 1888.

OIL (OLIVE).—The market has shown much firmness during the last few days, and of Spanish oil there is only a very small supply left in stock now, for which about 2l. 10s. advance is required, 381, being the nearest quotation. Mogadore oil has also advanced from 35l. to 36l. 10s., and Messina is not offering. Concerning eating oils we have to report that the markets abroad are advancing everywhere owing to shortage in the crop. The Bari district, which furnishes the principal crop, its oils being also the cheapest and the earliest on the market, will only give one-third of an average yield, and in Tuscany and on the Riviera matters are almost equally bad. The first shipments of the new Bari oil will take place shortly, and the oil will probably be available here in the second half of January. The stock of fine oil at present left here is getting into a very small compass, and may be quoted at 4s. 3d. to 4s. 9d. per gallon for Bari, and from 4s. 9d. to 5s. 6d. for Leghorn and Lucca oil.

OILS (ESSENTIAL).—The market is very dull, and prices are generally nominal. Japanese *Peppermint oil*, 5s. for native brands and 6s. for Cocking's. Fair quality *Menthol*, spot 8s., and forward delivery 7s. 9d. per lb., "c.i.f." terms. American oil of *Peppermint* dull at 11s. per lb. for H G.H.

OILS (VARIOUS).—Cocoanut oil steady; good to fine Ceylon, 23s. 6d. to 23s. 9d.; Cochin, 26s. to 26s. 6d.; Mauritius, nominal at 24s. Cottonseed oil has declined recently, but closes rather better; crude on the spot at 19s. 3d. to 19s. 6d.; refined, according to brand, 21s. 6d. to 23s.; Liverpool, refined, 22s. to 22s. 6d. Linseed oil firmly held at 20s. 6d. to 20s. 9d., according to position and packing. Hull, 19s. 6d. for naked oil. Liverpool, 22s. to 22s. 6d. for export casks, which are in small supply. Palm oil steady at 25s. 6d. for fine Lagos. Petroleum, flat and easier; American, 6d. to $6\frac{1}{16}d$.; Russian, $5\frac{11}{16}d$. Rape oil firm; brown on the spot, 32s. 6d.; English refined, 34s. In Liverpool there are sellers of Stettin refined at 35s. 6d. Turpentine, after declining, closes rather better, at 32s. 9d. to 33s. for American spirits.

OPIUM firm, but unchanged.

PODOPHYLLIN.—The resin is very scarce in America, and much inquired for, especially for export. The present quotation is still 8s. to 8s. 3d. per lb. "c.i.t." terms, but there seems to be a good prospect of higher rates in the near future.

POTASH SALTS.—Montreal Potashes dull and quiet at 20s. 9d. to 21s; Pearl ashes at 30s. 9d.; Bichromate firmly held at 4d.; Chlorate dull, and very little business at $4\frac{1}{4}d$. per lb. for spot; first quarter of next year $4\frac{1}{2}d$. nearest quotation; Prussiate, very high prices are now asked, and foreign is no longer to be had even at the present quotation, which is $9\frac{1}{2}d$. per lb.; English might be had perhaps at the same price. English refined Saltpetre steady at unchanged rates.

QUICKSILVER.—The market has been dull and lifeless. The importers still quote 9l. 15s., but second hand holders offer freely at 9l. 8s. per nask. The arrivals have been very heavy

this week, and amount to over 5,000 bottles. The latest Cape mail states that at Johannesburg a wonderful strike of quick-silver has been made on the Farm Vlakfontein. It is eight or ten feet from the surface, with every indication of going down. No discovery of greater importance to the gold industry could be made, and the large houses are greatly interested about it.

QUININE.—The market has improved this week, and about 60,000 oz, second-hand stuff are said to have changed hands on the spot at 1s. $2\frac{1}{2}d$. per oz. (an improvement of $\frac{3}{4}d$. to 1d. since last week), while about 40,000 oz, have been sold for delivery, mostly second-hand, March-April at 1s. $2\frac{3}{4}d$. per oz., with a small parcel of first-hand B. & S. brand (April delivery) at 1s. $3\frac{1}{2}d$. for March-April, though they would probably accept less, but they say that they are by no means anxious to sell.

SAFFRON continues to advance in Spain, and is now quoted here at 50s. to 55s. for good to finest Valencia.

SHELLAC.—Towards the close of last week a fairly steady business was transacted, both in *Orange* lac for March-January delivery, and in AC *Garnet* on the spot, the latter selling at 66s. per cwt. At auction 92 cases fine orange lac, slightly cakey, G in double triangle, were bought in at 107s. 6d. per cwt., but part of this parcel is reported to have since changed hands at 105s. per cwt. We also hear of business in unworked *Garnet* lac at 66s. to 66s. 6d for AC, and 74s. for fine OCC, and in second *Orange*, TN quality, at 76s. 6d. per cwt. The shipments of shellac from Calcutta to all parts during the season recently closed (November 1888-October 1889) are given as follows:—

	-	Orange	Garnet	Button	Total
To U. Kingdom	cases	23,433	7,026	6,335	35,844
" Continent	,,	2,173	206	331	2,710
" U. States	22	15,185	-	1,2?5	16,410
" Singap re and the East	"	732	5	106	843
	22	40,573	7,237	7,997	55,807

The following were the quotations at to-day's call :-

				Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
Orange TN, s	ellers	••	84	77/6	78/	78/6	78, 6	100 Cases
11	buyers	••	••	76/	77/	77,6	77/6	78/
Garnet AC,	sellers	••		68/6	70/	73/		_
37	buyers			67,6	67,6	6 8/5	-	-

This shows a somewhat easier market.

SODA SALTS.—Ash scarce and in demand: London, $1\frac{2}{3}d$.; Tyne, $1\frac{1}{3}d$. per degree: Bicarbonate steady at 5s. 9d. to 6s; Caustic firm, but quiet; Crystals, after having been in good demand, close lower and with easier tendency, at 51s. to 51s. 6d. ex-ship, and 42s. to 42s. 6d. on the Tyne; Nitratodull, and easier, at 8s. 4d. to 9s., according to quality.

Soy.—China is slowly advancing, 1s. $3\frac{1}{2}d$. per gallon having recently been paid for a small quantity.

STROPHANTHUS.—We are asked to state that the brokers who have the parcel in hand to which we have recently had occasion to refer have not sold it all, as reported last week, but only part of it.

TEA.—In spite of the holiday tone the market keeps very steady, Moning and Kaisow for price selling $4\frac{1}{8}d$, and teas from 5d. to 7d. are firm. Panyongs from 6d. to 9d., which have been remarkably cheap, are scarcer, and dealers' purchases of a few weeks back cannot readily be matched. Newmake teas are again in rather more plentiful supply, and sell readily at last week's figures. Scented teas are weak, commonest S. Capers selling as low as 5d. Assams are very firm, common Souchongs fetching $6\frac{1}{2}d$. to $6\frac{3}{4}d$. The better grades of Pekoe, from 11d. to 1s, also show an advance from recent easy rates, but broken Pekoes are still very cheap, and handsome tippy teas at 1s, to 1s, 1d, are worth attention: Ceylons are slightly easier again, good liquoring teas selling $9\frac{1}{2}d$. to $9\frac{3}{4}d$, and capital Pekoes at $10\frac{3}{2}d$. to 11d., but they are still 3d. to $3\frac{1}{2}d$, above the lowest point of the year.

TONQUIN BEANS.—Advices from New York report that the new crop of *Angosturas* is going steadily into consumption, and the price remains firm, but unchanged, at 6s. "c.i.f." terms. *Surinams* are held for comparatively high prices.



Memoranda for Correspondents.

Always send your proper name and address: we do not publish them unless you wish: if you do not, please use a distinctive nom-de-plume.

Write on one side of the paper only; and devote a separate piece of paper to each query if you ask more than one, or if you are writing about other matters at the same time.

If you send us newspapers, please mark what you wish us to read.

Ask us anything of pharmaceutical interest: we shall do our best to reply.

Before writing for formulæ consult the last volume, if you have it.

Letters, queries, &c. will be attended to in the order received.

The New Pharmacy Bill.

SIR,—Mr. Hampson's motion echoes the prevailing sentiment that something besides a higher curriculum is wanted to benefit the accomplished chemist, and that something is

"simple justice."

For the greater safety of the public it is deemed necessary that the chemist should be thoroughly examined as to his knowledge of the drugs he deals in, and to pass his examination he has to spend much time and money, whereas his neighbour the grocer is allowed to retail every drug "except scheduled poisons," that the chemist deals in without passing any examination at all. Is not this arrangement unjust to the chemist? Every chemist that I have spoken to on the subject says "Yes."

A new Pharmacy Bill should make it compulsory that all dealers in drugs and chemicals for medicinal use, "for the better protection of the public," should be pharmaceutical chemists. Then justice would be done to the chemist, and the Pharmaceutical Society be in reality, and not name only,

the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain.
I am, yours obediently

F. TEBBUTT.

[Mr. Tebbutt's proposal, which means, we suppose, that only pharmaceutical chemists should deal in drugs and chemicals for medicinal use, is a large order, and its realisation is so remote that we will not discuss it. But there can be no use in basing the demand on a confusion of ideas. How could Mr. Tcbbutt cstablish his implied argument that the law as it stands gives any favour to the grocer over the chemist ?]

197/25. Unqualified, in a long letter, urges that those who were unqualified assistants at the time of the passing of the Pharmacy Act, 1868, and are so still, ought in justice to get on the register, even now, without examination. He presses his argument with much skill, but it really is of no use to open the matter for discussion. What he wishes could not be done except by an Act of Parliament, and the persons concerned are too few, and their grievance too fragile, to admit any chance of the success of such a measure, even if chemists generally were to agree with it.

The Sale of Methylated Spirit on Sunday.

The following letter has been sent to the secretary of the Board of Inland Revenue:—

7 St. Patrick Street,

To Secretary, Board of Inland Revenue, Cork, Somerset House, W.C. December 5.

SIR,—A notice has been handed to me by an officer of your Board saying that I am "liable to a penalty of 100% if I sell to any person methylated spirit between 10 P.M. on Saturday and 8 A.M. Monday." I am a chemist with a large business connection, and my sale of this spirit is principally confined to the use of the spirit for burning under bronchitis kettles and inhalers, used by invalids suffering from congestion of the lungs, bronchitis, and diphtheria; and when one is ordered by a physician on a Sunday, or at midnight on a Saturday night, am I to refuse the sale of the spirit necessary

to work the kettle, and thereby endanger the life of the patient? It is for emergencies such as these that I keep an assistant on duty from Saturday until Monday, and I will be glad to have your opinion on this matter, as I think the duty of all good governments is that the welfare and health of the subjects should be insured to them.

I remain, yours truly,
RICHARD BLAIR.

The following is a copy of the answer received:-

Inland Revenue Office, Somerset House, London, W.C. December 9, 1889.

SIR,—In reply to your letter dated the 5th instant, I am directed by the Board of Inland Revenue to acquaint you that they have no power to modify in your favour the prohibition of the sale of methylated spirits from Saturday evening to Monday morning, set forth in Section 26 of the Revenue Act, 1889.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed) W. B. HEBERDEN,

Mr. Richard Blair.

Ass. Secy.

Methylated Spirit.

SIR,—Now that restrictions have been placed on the sale of methylated spirit, and the senses of the Excise authorities consequently quickened thereby, it may not be out of place to draw attention to a fact which, I think, is not generally known to the trade, viz., that methylated spirit is not allowed to be kept in any other room than that registered. I had a visit from an Excise officer the other day, and he informed me that if any of the Inland Revenue officials from headquarters happened to drop in and find the spirit in any unregistered room or rooms, they had power to confiscate it. It behoves chemists, therefore, to be careful in seeing that their stock is kept in the proper place.

Yours faithfully,

SIGMA. (202/43.)

Tincture Residues.

SIR,—In reply to Mr. Eberlin, the reason for drying tincture residues at 120°C, instead of 100°C, is that at the latter temperature many of them are not rendered anhydrous; and it is obviously desirable that in each case-desiccation should be complete.

Yours faithfully,

Enfield, December 17.

FRED. W. FLETCHER.

Natural v. Artificial Salicylic Acids.

SIR,—With reference to the discussion regarding the lethal properties in salicylate of sodium, we have communicated with our friends, Messrs. Schering, of Berlin, and reserve to ourselves the pleasure of communicating to you the result of their research. Meanwhile we desire to point out that the sale of the purer descriptions, such as the dialysed "Acid. salicylic. purissim." needle crystals, and the pure crystallised sodium salicylate, has remarkably declined during the last two or three years.

Either this is the result of economy or competition, or it may also be taken as a proof that the purity of the ordinary

product suffices.

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With all this, however, the purer forms of artificial acid and salts may be had at slightly higher price.

We are, sir, yours respectfully, 6 & 7 Cross Lane St., E.C., A. & M. ZIMMERMANN.

Drops v. Minims.

SIR,—Would some of your readers inform me of the general usage of the trade on this point. In my experience it has been customary, for the sake of "greater accuracy," to translate any given number of "drops" on a prescription as "minims." Certainly the method of measuring quantities by dropping is essentially inexact, yet it is recognised by the Pharmacopæia as a means of measuring creosote. In the case of tinctures of aconite and chloroform the "greater

accuracy" will be found to be much more inaccurate than by ordinary dropping.

Using a small pipette I have obtained these results:—

Distilled water	20	drops measured	15 m	inims
Hydrocyanic acid, B.P.	20	"	16	,,
Tincture of aconite	20	22	$7\frac{1}{2}$	17
Chlorodyne	20	**	85	13
Chloroform	20	12	41/2	57
Nitrite of amyl	20	**	61	"
Ether, s.g720	20	11	$5\frac{1}{2}$,,
Liq. arsenicalis	20	19	10	11
Liq. ammon. 891	20	,,	$15\frac{1}{2}$	"
Liq. hyd. nit. acid	20	"	$7\frac{3}{4}$	"
Liquefied carbol. acid	20	**	9	"
Absolute alcohol .	20	> >	$7\frac{1}{2}$	"

I am, yours faithfully, T. C. RICHARDS.

Clifton.

Keratin Pill-coating.

SIR,-Not having read the directions given in "The Art of Dispensing" regarding keratin pill-coating, I am not able to say if the following method is a typical one. It gives, however, a very satisfactory result.

The mass must be worked together with a little lard, the pills then coated with graphite, and keratined with a solution of keratin of the following strength:-

Keratini 1 gramme Aquæ ammoniæ Alcohol 5 M. F. solut.

A solution of keratin, 10 per cent., in acid acetic glacial also answers well.

I remain, sir, yours truly,

Otterup, A. VON CONOR-CABOLSFELD-KRAUSE. Denmark, December 9.

Medical English.

SIR,—Mr. D. B. Dott, whose general expressions I cordially agree with, should not object to the use of "Armamentarium, for the reason that it is a true word, being direct from the Latin, and as such, however much we may deplore its length, it should command our admiration and respect. is a vast improvement, philologically speaking, upon the ugly term "Armamentary," given as its exact equivalent by Nuttall, Murray, and many others.

"Somnifacient" has, professionally, precisely the same meaning and value as "hypnotic" and "soporific"; but these two latter words are not, strictly arguing, as definite as "somnifacient," which at once appeals to us as a "make to sleep "-a meaning almost Saxon in its simplicity.

I view with something almost akin to horror the gradual if not rapid incursion of the many mongrel words which are tending both to disfigure and demoralise our language by robbing it of its natural ruggedness and characteristic force. Shakespeare, in his, the palmiest days of this country's literature, contented himself with 14,000 words wherewith to express the many and varied charms of his mind. Chaucer was satisfied with even less; but the modern man of letters requires not fewer than 130,000; then he is not altogether happy, and must needs cry for more.

Obediently yours.

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The Sale of Poisons by Unqualified Persons.

We acknowledged on November 30 and December 14 sums received or promised amounting to 54l. 5s. 6d. We have since been notified of the following. The contributions paid are held by us until it is decided whether the appeal will be prosecuted :-

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Starching Wrinkles.

is used, I believe, to prevent sticking in ironing. formula used in our household, which, when mixed, will keep for months, and will be found useful, as it is always ready, and small quantities can be used as required:—

White cold-w	ater st	arch				1 lb.
Cold water	••	••		••	••	6 pints
Glycerine		••	••	••		3 tablespoonfuls
Turpentine		••			••	3 ,,
Borne						9 05

Rub down the starch with a little water, dissolve the borax in the rest, add the turps and glycerine last. Stir well up when required for use.

NAIAD. (199/7.)

Views on Sponge.

SIR,-In your report of the case of "Harris & Co. v. A Tennant" we notice some interesting evidence, showing that a full knowledge of the sponge trade is not a part of every chemist's equipment. One of the defendant's witnesses deposed that the "best kind of sponges were not bleached." This gentleman is evidently unaware that the sponges which he may have been called upon to value are all bleached even those in original cases—and that there is no such thing as a truly unbleached honey-comb sponge ever offered on the market for sale to druggists. All honey-comb sponges, whether of the best or of any other kind, are bleached either before or after they are imported. The term "unbleached" is currently but erroneously applied to dark-coloured sponges, either loose or in their original packages, for the purpose of distinguishing them from the light-coloured sponges, which are bleached by different means, viz. the permanganate of potash process, which requires no more acid (the acid was the cause of the mischief, according to this "expert") than the process employed at the sponge fisheries, the bleaching agents used in the latter being quicklime and sulphuric acid.

It is not necessarily bleaching that makes a sponge weak, for it is well known to connoisseurs that sponges are often found, when fished, to be so delicate in fibre that they will scarcely hold the weight of the water they contain. These sponges should be carefully eliminated from those prepared We are, dear sir, yours faithfully for sale.

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DISPENSING NOTES.

The opinions of practical readers are invited on subjects discussed under this heading.

An Old Prescription.

SIR,—I should be glad to know what should be dispensed for the last two ingredients of the following prescription. The date is 1860:-

cemb	er 9.			TAB	TAR.	(194/55.)
	3j. ter die.					
	Mist, salini sol. ad	••	••	••	••	lbss.
	Emulsio. camph	••	••	••	••	3j.
	Spt. æther. nit	••	••	••	••	5iss.
	Tinct. camph. co.	••	••	••	••	3ij.
	Liq. amm. Acet	••	••	••	• •	3j.
	Potass. nitrat	••	••		• •	Эj.
	Magn. snlph	• •	• •	• •	• •	31J.

Dispensing Charges.

SIR,—I think 2s. is a very fair charge for the ointment, referred to December 7. Cocain. hydroch. is now quoted at 3s. per drachm, which makes the actual cost of the 12 grains about $7\frac{1}{2}d$., and that should leave a good margin for time, &c.

Some time ago, when in the leading dispensing establishment in Harrogate, it was our rule to charge cocain, hydroch, at the rate of $\mathbf{1}_{2}^{1}d$, per grain in dispensing. In all probability the prescription referred to was charged on that HEURA GATE. (195/52.) scale.

M.

An Explosive Mixture.

The following mixture exploded in the patient's house, and X. Y. Z. (200/20) is refused payment for it in consequence:-

Pot.	oromic	1	••		• •	• •	gr. xx.
Liq.	ergot.	amm.	••	***	~	••	mxv.
Aq.	••	••	••	••	••	••	3j.

Three times a day. Send eight doses.

We are asked to explain why this should have been, as "X. Y. Z." has made up several more of the same kind, and cannot get one to burst. Ergot mixtures do ferment; but there is no reason why the above one should have burst the bottle in a short time, and in a cool place too. Is there no ground for suspecting the patient's veracity?

West-end Prescriptions.

Saladin (196/48) has recently had the following to dispense :-

Ammon. carbonat.	 ••	• •	••	33.
Ext. cascaræ sagrad. liq	 ••	••	••	3vj.
Tinct. belladonnæ	 ••	••	••	3j.
Spir. chloroformi	 ••	••	••	3ij.
Aquæ ad	 	••	••	3νj.
t mict				

He was surprised to find the resulting mixture perfectly clear and bright, evidently due to the ammonia [That is so. -ED.], and asks us to explain the action. The alkali forms a soap with the resin of the cascara sagrada.—ED.]

Another prescription which he had was:

Tinct, ferri perchlor.	• •	• •	• •	• •	mv j.
Glycerin	••	• •	••	••	зij.
Potass, chlorat			••		3ss.
Aquæ pimentæ ad			••		3iv.

When first dispensed it was clear, but soon changed to a dark brown, and finally deposited in the form of dark specks. This was due to the action of the ferric chloride on the pimento. Pimento water is a very unstable preparation.
Ferric chloride gives colour reactions with most aromatic bodies.]

Three Difficulties.

Per Ardua (196/46) asks what is the best modus operandi for the following mixture:-

Tr. aurant					385.
Sp. ammon. arom		••			3ss.
Quin. sulph	••		••		gr. xij
Pot. brom	••	••	••	••	gr. 80
Sod. iod	••		••		gr. 40
Aquæ camphoræ ad	••	••			₹viij.
e-eighth t d s					

He found this process succeed:—Dissolve salts in 4 oz. aq. camph., and mix tr. aur. and sp. am. With solution rub quinine with p. trag. co. 3ss. and aq. camph. 3iij. Mix and

make up to 8 oz.

[The principle of this method is the safe one to go upon. About 5 grains or so of the quinine sulphate is decomposed by solution and action of the aromatic spirit; the free and sticky quinine would be lost to the patient if some suspending agent were not employed. We prefer 2 drachms of acacia mucilage to compound tragacanth powder.]

The same correspondent asks if we would consider 15 minims of "chlorodyne" three times a day a larger dose than a chemist would be expected to dispense without inquiry? The mixture had been dispensed previously, and showed signs of a green chlorodyne having been used. If

Collis Browne's be correct thing to use, whence the green? [The dose is large, but not excessive. The inquiry should be carefully addressed to the customer, and Dr. Collis Browne's preparation is considered to be the one to use. The

green colour is due to Indian hemp.]

Per Ardua further asks what would he correct to dispense for ferri carb. ver.? Half an ounce of it, and the same of potassium carbonate, were ordered to be made into 100 pills. [We think that the prescriber must have been inspired with |

some high notions in regard to a pure Blaud's pill, and so insisted on having them contain veritable carbonate. The only thing approaching that in the Pharmacopæia is ferricarb. sacch. It is impossible to make an unoxidised ferrous carbonate under ordinary conditions.]

MISCELLANEOUS INQUIRIES.

197/70. Edin.—We only reply to querists who send their

199/8. Linum makes a Cough Balsam according to the following formula :-

Ol. anisi		••		m_{X} .
Tinct. benzoin. co				mxlviij.
" capsici		••	• •	naxiv.
" chlorof, et morph		••		mezcvj.
Glycerini	••	••	••	3vj.
Oxymel. scillæ	••	••		3vj.
Dec. lini et marrubii ad	••	• •	••	Зііј.
Syrupi (golden) ad				3iv.

Dose: For adults, two small teaspoonfuls.

The dec. lini et marrubii is made as follows:-

Sem. lini	• •	••	• •	• •	• •	• •	Зij.
Marrubii		••	••	••	••	••	3j.
Aquæ	••		••	••	• •	••	Oj.

Boil ten minutes, and strain.

The points on which our correspondent is troubled are—the fermentation of the elixir; and would he be liable to any penalty by leaving out some ingredients-say the linseed and horehound—and continuing to say that it is a "balsam of linseed, aniseed," &c.? The Merchandise Marks Act would reach him on the latter point. The preparation would keep better if 15 oz. of decoction were made from the 2 oz. of linseed and 1 oz. of horehound, making it up to 20 oz. with rectified spirit containing 40 grains of salicylic acid.

180/18. Erin.—The formula does not appear to be a very satisfactory one; but the preparation which you have made is presentable, and quite safe.

189/13. J. B.—Black water Cosmetic.—From the sample which you send we judge that this is made from yellow glycerine soap (perfumed with citronella), tragacanth, lampblack, and water. You will have to make a few experiments before deciding upon quantities.

186/4. A. V.—We received the samples, but they are substances which we do not think it advisable to report on in this journal.

194/36. Quicksilver.—In Silvering Glass the surface must be perfectly free from dirt and grease. An amalgam of tin and quicksilver is applied in the following manner:-Spread a piece of tinfoil a little larger than the glass on a marble table, smooth it out, and rub a little mercury into it with a hare's foot; then, having put a border of wood on the foil, pour more clean mercury upon it, and slide the sheet of glass along the surface so as to exclude air-bubbles. Press the glass gently, cover with thick cloths, and leave under pressure for a day.

196/28. W. R. has had a dental patient who is now minus a canine tooth. After it was extracted "W. R." put some cotton-wool, with a little toothache tincture upon it, into the gum. This the patient removed before beginning a meal, and the result was that the gum bled profusely for several hours. "W. R." asks what is the custom in regard to Treatment of the Gums. Putting cotton-wool into the gums is now regarded as bad practice. If there is much pain it is not unusual to apply a little of a solution of carbolic acid 5ij., in solution of soda 5vj.; but this is removed again in a few seconds. If there is profuse bleeding, a little liq. ferri perchlor. fort. is applied in the same way.

Otherwise simply press the lacerated gum with the thumb and forefinger. If cotton-wool is put in and allowed to remain long enough to be fixed by the blood-clot, bleeding starts with additional vigour when it is removed.

195/69. Leander. --(1) Potassium carbonate does not improve the Odour of Musk to any appreciable extent. It is added to the essence in order to heighten the colour. Four grains of the carbonate should be added to each drachm of the musk, the menstruum being a mixture of rectified spirit 5 parts, and water 1 part. Musk is so dear nowadays that formulæ have to be modified according to the price that is obtained for the essence. A drachm of the finest grain musk to the pint provides an essence which bears dilution. (2) June 29.

196/8. Pyrox.—When Gunpowder Explodes 32 per cent. of gases and about 68 per cent. of solids are produced. The gases are carbonic anhydride, nitrogen, carbonic oxide, marsh gas, sulphuretted hydrogen, and hydrogen. The three last together do not amount to 1 per cent. The solids are potassium sulphate, carbonate, hyposulphite and sulphide, ammonia sesquicarbonate, and some undecomposed charcoal and sulphur. There is a book on explosives by Sir F. A. Abel which might be useful to you.

196/43. F. W. Doubleday.—To Repair a Broken Mortar, make some calomel into a thick cream with mucilage of acacia, and use this as a cement.

194/23. H. W. A.—The structure of the piece of metal pipe which you send us shows that the iron is an exceedingly low quality of slag-iron. It has been acted upon by the soil, and the pressure has done the rest. Considering the wretched nature of the iron, we are not surprised.

197/21. Novice.—Bromide of Ethyl has been given internally in doses of 10 minims to 30 minims, but it only produces slight drowsiness.

198/69. J. H. T.—As near as we can make out, the flavouring in your **Syrup of Spice** consists of coriander (1), nutmeg (1), pimento (4), cassia (1), and capsicum $(\frac{1}{12})$. Mix the spices in these proportions, and use 4 oz. of this to the gallon of syrup.

199/3. T. B.—Ginger-wine Essence.—Bruised ginger 4 oz., bruised capsicums 2 drachms, fresh lemon-peel, cut small, 3 oz., proof spirit 1 pint or q.s. Macerate for a week, strain, press the marc, and mix the expressed liquor with the other, then add 20 drops essence of jargonelle pear, ½ oz. of spt. æther. nit., and sufficient proof spirit to make 1 pint. Filter.

199/1. Athluain.—You leave out the most important factor, viz., the nature of the substance which you wish to cement. Please repeat your query with that information. Correspondents must be precise. We have not time to waste in trying to discover what they mean but do not say.

199/18. Nilson.-See reply to 193/7 in last issue.

199/36. Edgar Atheling.—The subject seems more suited for discussion in a general newspaper.

196/1. Pax.—A question was asked in October last about check tills, and a few answers were published. We cannot repeat the inquiry.

199/72. W. J. L.—We are sorry that we cannot furnish the information, but you might get it by writing to the society named.

Lund Oil.—This was answered last week. W. Harris (Liverpool) suggests that it may be an abbreviation of "London oil," a rheumatic rubber in Henry VIII.'s reign. It seems to have been composed of oil of absinthe, turpentine, laurel, origanum, and rue in equal proportions. See Deacon Marub's "History of Henry VIII."

191/27. Ch. Tekadas (Osaka).—The Price of Iodine was officially reduced from 9d. to 7d. per oz. on August 2. A further reduction from 7d. to 4d. per oz. followed on August 13. Finally, on September 2, the price was again raised to 9d. per oz. and has since remained there. You will find information about the last rise in THE CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST for September 7, page 338.

200/13. Alpha.—To ascertain whether any particular title has been registered as a trade-mark some one must attend at the Trade Marks Office and make a search, for which 1s. per quarter-hour is charged. We do not undertake this work. We should consider that the title you suggest would not be eligible for registration, as it is descriptive.

199/63. J. Mann.—Potassium Chloroplatinite.—It is this salt, and not the chloroplatinate, which is preferred for the new platinum toning process. The chloroplatinite is a ruby-coloured crystalline salt, which is much more soluble in water than the chloroplatinate; indeed, the latter is so sparingly soluble that it is owing to that property that platinic chloride is used as a test for potassium salts. Platinous chloride cannot be so used, nor can you readily prepare potassium chloroplatinite by adding a solution of a potassium salt to a solution of platinous chloride. There are several ways of preparing it, perhaps the best for use on a small scale being Thomsen's method, which is as follows:-Take any quantity of platinic chloride, dissolve it in water, and add a strong solution of potassium chloride. After standing for a few hours collect the precipitate, wash well, and, while still in a moist and pasty state, warm, and add cautiously to the paste moist cuprous chloride, so as to leave a small portion of the potassium chloroplatinate undissolved. A nearly black solution is formed, from which, after cooling and filtering, the chloroplatinite crystallises out. Collect the crystals, wash with spirit, and dry.

200/12. Dormant.—Please consult the "Buyers' Guide" in our DIARY and any weekly issue.

200/11. Inquirer (Glasgow).—There is no recent work dealing generally with narcotics. Anstie's and Cooke's books were published twenty-five years ago.

200/35. Nemo.—Without going very minutely into the matter, we corroborate your observation.

199/50. Homeo.—Rubini's Camphor.—The Homeopathic Pharmacopedia states that "Dr. Rubini employed a saturated solution containing nearly 50 per cent." It is customary to make this of 4 parts of camphor and 5 parts of spirit, 50 per cent. by weight being meant.

198/71. J. F.—Thanks for yours. Strange to say, you are the only one who has noticed it.

189/40. Zingiberis. — Please consult our Educational Number, September 28, and call at the schools which take night pupils. It is much better that you should judge for yourself on what you see and hear.

192/39. Alpha.—Snuffle in Rabbits.—Tinctures of aconite and belladonna, given alternately, in 4-minim doses, would help to give relief. Keep the animals in a warm hutch, and give only warm food. The ailing rabbits should be separated from the others, as the disease is infectious.

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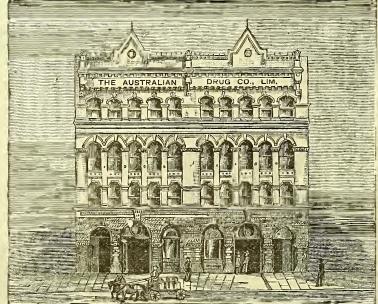
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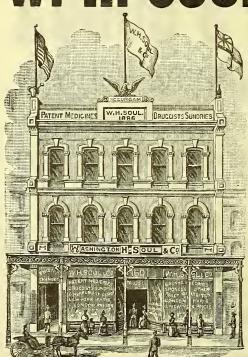


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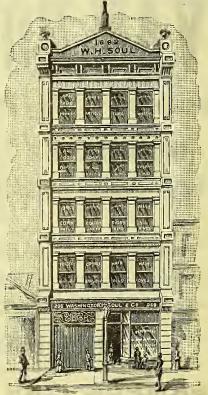
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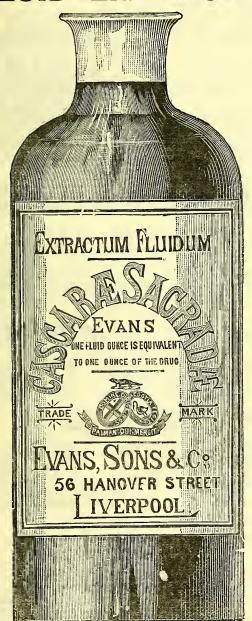
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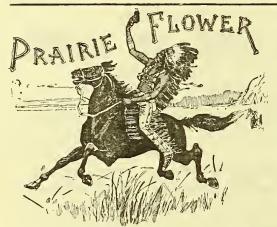
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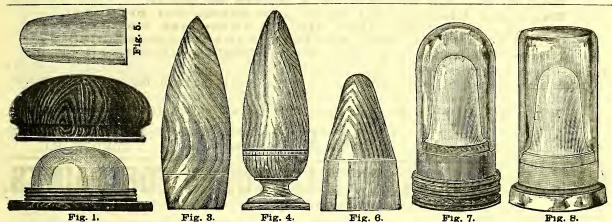
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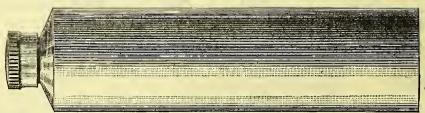
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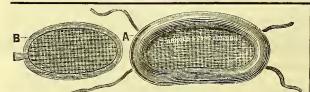
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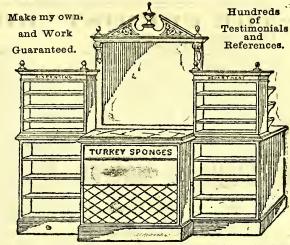
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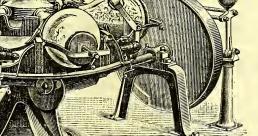
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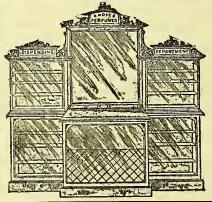
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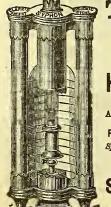
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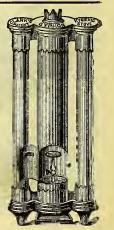
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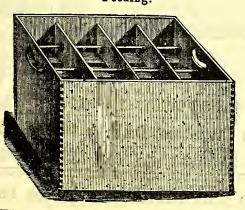
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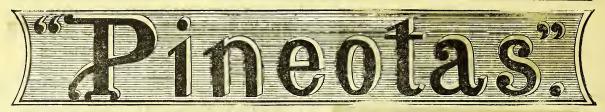
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